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AFFAIRS IN EUROPE.

The Papal Allocution Against Reforms in Austria.

Civil and Religious Liberty Vigorously Denounced.

The Measures Affecting the Church Declared Null and Powerless.

The Emperor and His Ministers Threatened with Excommunication.

The Inauguration of the Luther Monument at Worms.

The steamship *Bremen*, which left Bremen June 28 and Southampton June 30, arrived at this port at a late hour Saturday night. The *Minnesota*, from Liverpool June 30 and Queenstown July 1, reached her dock yesterday. The advices are three days later than those at hand by the *China*.

In the Admiralty Court, June 27, the application of the American Government in regard to the affairs of the *Mary*, otherwise the *Alexandra*, was decided. In this case an important question was raised as to the right of the United States to put certain interrogatories to MR. PRIOLEAU, merchant, of Liverpool, who claimed the vessel which had been seized by the Government, on the ground that it had been used by the Confederates. The defendant alleged that certain interrogatories, if answered, might render him liable to heavy penalties under the Foreign Enlistment act. It was urged, on the part of the United States Government, that parties required the interrogatories to be answered. His Lordship, in giving judgment, reviewed the practice of equity and common law, and thought the practice of this Court should be moulded on the Courts of equity. He allowed the interrogatories to be administered, and if any answer was objected to, it must be sworn by the defendant that he believed it would subject him to penalties under the Foreign Enlistment, or some other act. Judgment accordingly.

On June 29 a deputation from the English Church Union, headed by Earl NELSON, waited upon the Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth Palace, to present the following declaration, signed by 20,150 clerical and lay communicants of the Church of England: "To his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England and Metropolitan: May it please your Grace, we, the undersigned clergy and lay communicants of the Church of England, having in mind that Dr. COLENSO has denied that large portions of the Holy Scriptures are the Word of God, has charged our blessed Lord Jesus Christ with error, and has denied that He is the proper object of Christian worship, hereby solemnly declare that we renounce all Christian communion with Dr. COLENSO until such time as he repents of these his errors." In reply to Earl NELSON, the Archbishop expressed his sympathy with those who repudiated the doctrine of Dr. COLENSO and had done their best to check the mischief.

The Spanish Ambassador is said to have complained to the French Government that 6,000 rifles have lately been purchased in France for the account of Gen. PRIM.

A Pontifical Bull summoning a general council of the Roman Catholic Church, to meet in the Basilica of the Vatican on the 8th of December, 1869, was formally promulgated in Rome yesterday. All ecclesiastics entitled to be present are enjoined to appear, or, if prevented, to be represented by proxy. The Bull expresses hopes that Princes and other rulers will afford the ecclesiastics all possible facility for making the journey to Rome. The Bull also states that the object of the council is to assure the integrity of the faith, respect for religion and the ecclesiastical laws, the improvement of public morals, the establishment of peace and concord, and the removal of the ills afflicting civil and religious society. The Bull finally adverts to the necessity for maintaining the temporal power, the sanctity of matrimony, and the religious education of youth, and deplores the efforts of the enemies of the Church to overthrow those principles.

The Florence official *Gazette*, of June 27, adverting to the rumors of secret recruiting in Italy for some enterprise unknown, says: "If such attempts are made anywhere, it is absolutely false that the Government has permitted or favored them. The authorities have received most explicit orders to use all the rigor of the law against the promoters of such illegal acts, and the Government has resolved to punish severely those attempting to disturb the peace of the country or endanger our foreign relations."

The Vienna *Debatte*, of June 28, referring to the Papal allocution on the subject of the "Confessional Laws," says: "The Government does not attach any particular importance to this allocution, and considers that an energetic protest by diplomatic means will suffice to meet the case. It is believed that Baron BEUST in his protest reminds the Roman Court of the limit within which it may claim to influence the internal affairs of the Empire, and energetically repels any infraction of that limit."

At Munich, on June 27, Count CHORINSKI was found guilty of complicity in the poisoning of the Countess CHORINSKY, and was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment in a fortress, and to exile if he survives.

It was stated in Spanish political circles that the Government was taking active steps in a non-official manner to induce the sons of DON JUAN to recognize Queen ISABELLA on condition of receiving back their title of Infants of Spain, as well as the confiscated property which belonged to the Infants DON CARLOS. The Infanta DON SEBASTIAN, it is said, strongly supports this step.

THE TEMPORAL POWER.

The Recent Papal Allocution—The Recents Events in Austria Revived.

The following is a translation of the Papal allocution delivered in the secret consistory, held on June 22 last:

VENERABLE BRETHREN: We should never have imagined that after the convention agreed to nearly thirteen years ago between us and the Emperor and Apostolic King of Austria, to the great joy of all well-minded men, we should be obliged to lament upon the miseries and serious misfortunes which, by the machinations of evil-disposed men, now afflict and annoy in a deplorable manner the Catholic Church in the empire of Austria. In fact, the enemies of our divine religion have been unceasing in their efforts to destroy the said convention, and to do the greatest harm to the Church, to us, and to this Apostolic See. On the 21st December last, the Austrian Government passed an odious law to be carried out and strictly observed in every district of the Empire, even in those districts where the Catholic religion exclusively prevails. That law establishes free liberty for all opinions, liberty of the press, of all faith, and no matter what confession or doctrine; it grants to the members of every confession the right of establishing public schools and colleges, and members of every confession are allowed to be admitted on the same footing with the sanction of the State. Although we felt great grief on being informed of the fact, and wished to raise our voice against it, we, nevertheless, gave proof of forbearance, and we deemed it advisable then to keep silent, chiefly supported by the hope that the Austrian Government, lending a docile ear to the just complaints of our venerable brethren, (the holy prelates of Austria,) would return to more wholesome ideas, and adopt a sounder determination. But our hopes have been frustrated. In fact, the same Government on the 25th of May of this present year, issued another law which compels all the subjects, even the Catholic ones of the Empire, deciding that some born of a mixed marriage must follow the religion of the father, and the daughters that of the mother; and that under 7 years of age they must follow in the stray path of their parents from the true faith. Moreover, the same law suppresses entirely the validity of the promises which the Catholic church, with reason and with the greatest justice, exacts and prescribes absolutely before the celebration of mixed marriages. It makes apostacy itself a civil law, both as regards the Catholic religion and the Christian religion generally; it suppresses all authority of the church over cemeteries, and Catholics are bound to allow the bodies of heretics to be buried in their churchyard, if they have not any of their own. Moreover, the same Government on the 25th day of May, of the present year, did not hesitate to promulgate a law on marriage which entirely cancels all the enactments agreed to in the Convention already alluded to; this law restores the former Austrian laws, which are contrary to the laws of the church; it admits, and even confirms, that form of marriage absolutely condemnable, called civil marriage, when the authority of any confession whatever refuses the celebration of the marriage on grounds which are not admitted as valid, as legal by the civil authorities. By this law this same government has suppressed all the authority and jurisdiction of the church on matters relative to marriage, as also all competent ecclesiastical tribunals on the subject. It has also promulgated a law on education which suppresses all the influence of the church over education, decreeing that the whole superior supervision of education, literature, and science, as also the inspection of schools, appertains to the State which finally decrees that religious teaching in the public schools must be placed in the hands of members of each separate confession, that any religious society may open private or special schools for the youth of its faith; that those schools shall also be subject to the supreme inspection of the State, and that the school books shall be submitted to the approval of the civil authorities; with the exception, however, of such books as are meant for religious instruction, books which must be submitted to the approval of competent authorities of each confession. You see, consequently, venerable brethren, how necessary it is strongly to reprove and condemn those abominable laws sanctioned by the Austrian Government—laws which are in flagrant contradiction with the doctrines of the Catholic religion; with its venerable rights, its authority, and its divine institution; with our power and that of the apostolic see, as also with our concordat already quoted, and with natural right itself. In virtue then of the care of all churches entrusted to us by the Lord Jesus Christ, we raise our voice in your most illustrious assembly; we reprove and we condemn by our apostolic authority the laws which we have enumerated, and everything, general or special, in those same laws or its matter which may refer to ecclesiastical rights which has been decreed or attempted unjustly, in any manner whatsoever, by the Austrian government or its subordinates, whomsoever they may be. In virtue of this same authority which appertains to us, we declare those decrees null and powerless in themselves, and in their effect both as regards the present and the future. As regards the authors of those laws, especially those who congratulate themselves on being Catholics, and have not feared to propose, establish, approve, and carry out the above laws and acts, we conjure and entreat them not to forget the censures and spiritual punishments which the ecclesiastical institutions and the decrees of the œcumenical councils inflict, as having been deserved *ipso facto* by the violators of the rights of the church. Meantime, we rejoice greatly in the Lord, and we give our well-deserved praise to our venerable brothers the Archbishops and Bishops of the Austrian Empire, who, with truly episcopal energy, have not ceased to warn their flocks of their duties boldly to defend and protect, by speech as well as writing, the cause of the Church and the said concordat concluded with us. We also desire from our hearts that our venerable brothers the Archbishops and Bishops of Hungary, following the sample of their colleagues, will show themselves disposed to display the same zeal and the same ardor to protect the rights of the Church and defend the concordat against the attacks which are directed against it. Nevertheless, under these calamities which in these times afflict the Church everywhere, we do not cease, venerable brothers, with the deepest fervor and humility of heart, to pray to God that He may upset all the criminal designs of His enemies and those of His holy Church, suppress their impious efforts, and in His mercy lead them back into the paths of justice and salvation.

MEXICO AND ENGLAND.

The Mexican Republic to the English Holders of its Bonds—Letter from Minister Romero.

The London *Times* publishes the subjoined communication:

No. 2 COPTHALL-COURT, June 29.

The Secretary of the Mexican Bondholders' Committee begs to transmit a copy of a dispatch received to-day from Mexico, and, further, to say that it was accompanied by a private note from Senor ROMERO, in which his Excellency, while stating that he has lost no time in replying to the communication addressed to him by the Committee, adds, that owing to his proximate visit to the United States, where he is going on leave of absence, it would not be possible for him to receive the bondholders' agent until his return to Mexico in the latter part of July.

MEXICO, May 22.

I have received the communication which you have been pleased to address to me under date of the 15th of April last, informing me that the holders of the Mexican bonds in London have appointed a permanent committee intrusted to watch their interests, and authorized to negotiate in the manner of arranging their business with the Government of Mexico; and you conclude by informing me that the Committee is prepared to open at once negotiations with the Government of the Republic, either in England, through a duly accredited agent from the Minister of Finance, or in this capital, through a delegate whom the said Committee is prepared to send out. The Government of the Republic have declared on several occasions that they have the best disposition to pay all the claims, and, in fact, have since their return to this city already redeemed a part of the public debt. It is my belief that with the consolidation of peace, the renewal of confidence, and the development of the natural resources of the country, the revenues of the latter will be so secured that before many years they will be in a position to meet all the legitimate debts.

Although the debt contracted in London belongs to this category, and the Government acknowledges it in principle, the fact that the holders of the bonds effected a new conversion of the debt with the usurper MAXIMILIAN, who never had the right to pledge the nation, and in this manner lent him their assistance and coöperation, placed it in a difficult position, which can only be arranged by means of negotiations and mutual conditions. Taking it for granted that the committee appointed by the holders of the bonds is prepared to send an agent to this city empowered to negotiate the settlement of their affairs with the Government of the Republic, I shall limit myself at present to inform you that the agent of the committee will be received by this Administration, and that everything will be done in order to bring about a mutually satisfactory arrangement.

I am, &c., M. ROMERO.

To the Secretary of the Permanent Committee of Mexican Bondholders in London.

GERMANY.

Inauguration of the Luther Monument at Worms—Imposing Ceremonies.

Frankfort (June 27) Correspondence of the London Daily News.

The inauguration of the Luther monument attracted to the small town of Worms sufficient visitors to fill a large capital. As many as 90,000 people were present, who, of course, could not be lodged in the town, and had to seek shelter as well as they could in the villages of the neighborhood. Besides the Kings of Prussia and Wurtemberg, and several of the minor German Protestant Princes, about 2,000 clergymen had arrived from all parts of Germany and Switzerland, and even from France, England and America. The festivities were rather of a serious than a gay character. The great services of LUTHER and the reformers who preceded or followed him were extolled in sermons and speeches. An English clergyman spoke vehemently against Puseyism, and charged the Bishop of Oxford with betraying the cause of the Reformation. The most remarkable speech was that of the Mayor of the town, a Catholic, as are three-fourths of the population. When the monument was made over to the care of the municipality of Worms, he accepted it as a national gift, and praised the manly spirit shown by LUTHER at the Diet when he declared: "I have not been convinced; I cannot retract; here I am; I cannot change; may God assist me!" This historical fact which has changed the aspect of Europe, deserved to be commemorated by a national monument. Even those nations who have not adopted his religious tenets enjoy their blessings; for he has put down the despotism which forbade free thought, and he gave back to every nation the right to bring common sense to bear on religious matters. His translation of the Bible induced people to learn to read; schools and academies came into existence, and in his own time he was considered the German Cicero. The monument itself is a great success. The statue of LUTHER is ten feet high; by his side are his two protectors—the Elector of Saxony and the Landgrave of Hesse. The next group shows Huss, Savonarola, Wicklife, Waldus, Melanchthon and Reuchlin, and the symbolic statues of the towns in which the leading events took place—Spires, where the protest was made which gave the name to Protestantism; Augsburg, where the first peaceable settlement was arrived at, and Magdeburg, the last sufferer and victim of the League. The King of Prussia, the hereditary Prince and the other Princes left when the ceremony was over; but in the evening a telegram arrived from the King, from Mentz, stating that he had just received a telegram from Queen VICTORIA, the dispatch reading: "Pray express to the Committee for the erection of the Luther Memorial my most hearty congratulations upon the successful completion of their task. Protestant England cordially sympathizes upon an occasion which unites the Protestant Princes and peoples of Germany." The report was enthusiastically received, and the English National Anthem was sung by the splendid chorus, to which all the vocal societies of the neighboring towns had sent their best members. The festivities closed in the best harmony, and, though there were neither police nor military, not the least disorder occurred. The railway companies had plenty of business on their hands, still they managed it without any accident. The only drawback were the large number of pickpockets who had come from all parts, and who victimised many a clergyman.

EX-MINISTER ADAMS.

His Departure From England—British Opinion of His Services—Future Relations of the Two Countries.

From the London Daily News, June 20.

On Saturday Mr. ADAMS sailed from Liverpool for America, after having filled for more than seven years the office of Envoy from the United States to the British Court. Wishes as kindly as the friendly welcome which awaits him in his own country will speed him across the ocean. Mr. ADAMS has, during the past eight years, been most strictly that which Mr. CORDEN has sometimes been called—an international man. The services which he has rendered to his own country during his term of office were scarcely inferior to those which it owes to LINCOLN and GRANT. They were less conspicuous; history, perhaps, will take less account of them; but *they were as real and as essential*. Mr. LINCOLN'S single-minded statesmanship, GRANT'S military genius and dogged Saxon persistency would have fallen short of the success which they were the prime agents in achieving, if the Northern States had become embroiled in a war with England. That this catastrophe to both countries and both hemispheres, and, indeed, to the whole human race, did not befal, was mainly *owing to* Mr. ADAMS. The feeling on both sides of the Atlantic was such that it needed only occasion and slight stimulus to bring about a collision and war. Mr. ADAMS mediated between the angry passions which raged in England and America. In doing so he exercised what diplomacy has affected to be, but has seldom proved itself—a ministry of peace. To the training of a lawyer, the experience of a politician, and the high breeding of a cultivated gentleman, Mr. ADAMS joined a conciliatory temper, and that rare gift of moral prudence without which genius and capacity are often only splendidly mischievous. It may be reasonably expected that in America Mr. ADAMS will find scope for services analogous, if not precisely similar, to those which he has rendered in England. The work of keeping the peace between the two countries will be *easier in future than it has been in the past*. Mr. ADAMS has seen great changes effect themselves in England during his residence among us: and still greater changes have been brought to pass in the United States. The free and industrious people of the North and West have become the chief political power in America; and in England the working classes have gained a potent, if not a predominant, influence in public affairs. *The two nations will understand each other better than their rulers have sometimes done.* The England of GLADSTONE and the United States of ADAMS are little likely to renew the jealousies of the England of CASTLEREAGH and the United States of JEFFERSON.

CHINA.

The Loss of the General Sherman—Cruise of the Shenandoah—The Country and its Customs—International Treaties—Northern Rotes—The Rebels—River Navigation.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SHANGHAI, Wednesday, May 27, 1868.

By the arrival of the United States war steamer *Shenandoah*, Capt. FERBIGER, at Chifu, on the 19th inst., and of the North German merchant steamer *China*, at this port on the 21st, I am enabled to lay before the readers of the *Times* full particulars of the recent visits of these vessels to the Corean Coast, and of the now almost certain fate of the American schooner *General Sherman* and the party on board.

The main features of that ill-fated expedition are still quite fresh in the public mind. They can be briefly summed up as follows: The *Sherman*, a small schooner of between one and two hundred tons burden, was freighted with an assorted cargo, by a trading house in Tientsin, doing business under the style of MEADOWS & Co., and dispatched to Corea toward the close of 1866, under the command of Capt. PAGE. Accompanying PAGE went an American of the name of PRESTON, who to the novelty and interest of a pleasure trip seems to have added whatever of profit was to be derived from a traffic in firearms, which, owing to the difficulties then existing between the Corean and the French bore a high price. Besides PAGE and PRESTON the *Sherman's* party consisted of about twelve Europeans and a mixed crew of between forty and fifty, consisting of Coolies and Lascars, in about equal proportion. As nothing was heard from them, and it was known that the Corean authorities had expressed themselves hostile to any attempt by foreigners to settle on the coast, or even to open trade with the natives, it was generally believed that the vessel had been destroyed, and the party on board either killed or taken prisoners.

A report reached Shanghai early in February, that there were still some of the party surviving, that they had been seen in close confinement, and heavily ironed; and the attention of the Government having been called to the matter by Consul-Gen. SEWARD on his recent visit to Washington, instructions were shortly after received by Capt. FERBIGER to proceed with the *Shenandoah* to the alleged scene of the disaster to investigate, and, if possible, clear up the mystery.

CRUISE OF THE SHENANDOAH.

The *Shenandoah* mounts eleven pieces, consisting of two eleven inch Dahlgren pivot guns, four thirty-twos, and one sixty-four pounder rifled Parrot, and four Dahlgren howitzers, and carries a complement of two hundred and twenty officers and men. She sailed from Shanghai March 18, and after laying in Chifu a short time, taking on the necessary supplies, she proceeded to Corea, arriving off the mouth of the Ping-Yang river on the evening of the 9th of April. She anchored in an open roadstead under the lee of the island of Choda, having a lot of peaks (landmarks) in sight, but without sign of human life or habitation.

On the following day she moved in and round Choda, looking for the Ping-Yang River, which the Chinese pilots said was hereabouts. Failing to find it the vessel anchored off the north side of Choda, and sent two boats ahead to feel the way as well as to seek the river. The boats returned at sunset without meeting with any success. Anchorage was moved that day on account of the falling of the tide. Reports in Chefoo and Shanghai told of a rise and fall of sixty feet. This was found to be false, at least so far as the Ping-Yang is concerned. Toward night of the following day the ship's boats, which had been out sounding, returned to report the river as found, and early the succeeding day the river's mouth was entered, and the big steamer, (the largest ever seen in these waters,) headed up. The river is very wide at its mouth, and has some dangerous reefs and shoals in it, but there is a good deep and secure passage, and the *Shenandoah* was fortunate in finding it. She anchored about six miles up, and abreast of a good sized village, the name of which was not ascertained. The inhabitants were found civil enough, but much more desirous to get information than willing to impart it. This reticence in regard to themselves, Capt. FERBIGER and his officers found to be the character of the people wherever they went. The boat's crew continued to take soundings and survey the river till April 21st, by which time they had reached a point twenty-five miles up the river. Here the native authorities have established a military station, but no guns are mounted. Indeed, *gingalls*, which are fired with the ordinary slow match, are the best, indeed *all*, that these people have in the way of ordnance. This was the furthest point reached by the expedition. The boat in which the *Shenandoah's* officers were taking soundings was here fired upon, and, as Capt. FERBIGER'S instructions did not warrant the use of force, further progress was abandoned. The river is here upwards of a mile wide, and from six to eight fathoms deep. A short distance above this the Ping-Yang River proper enters, and about thirty miles beyond, or about sixty miles from the open sea, is situated the City of Ping-Yang, the Capital of the Province. It is estimated to contain about sixty thousand inhabitants. The native who had volunteered to guide the *Shenandoah's* officers to the place of the prisoners' concealment, and upon whose statement the main hope of the expedition rested, was nowhere to be found. Several days were spent in fruitless search for him and in communicating with the native officials, but to no purpose. From all that could be learned it is believed that none of the ill-fated *Sherman* party survive. The natives differ much in their statements of the affair, thus betraying a desire to conceal the real facts of the case, but they fully agree in one particular, viz: that all who were on board the schooner perished. The only justification which they offer for the murder of the men is that the *Sherman's* party had captured and confined a high Mandarin. The proof of the truth or falsity of this statement rests solely with themselves.

The statement made by the natives on the Ping-Yang River to the officers of the *China*, who were, as already stated, themselves fired upon—resulting in the death of two men, and the wounding of one—was that the officers and crew of the *General Sherman* were beheaded, and not burned alive as had been previously reported. The schooner was said to be laying, an "unbroken wreck" on the banks of the river, where the disaster took place, but neither Capt. FERBIGER nor any of his men seem to have seen or reported it. In other respects the reports of the two parties mainly agree. So much with regard to the *General Sherman* and the expeditionists, whose fate may now be considered sealed.

THE COUNTRY AND ITS CUSTOMS.

The country, or rather that portion of the coast visited by the *Shenandoah* and *China*, is described as being a fine one, and as it is not improbable that it will be re-visited by both Europeans and Americans, a brief sketch of its more salient features and of the industrial and social life of its inhabitants will be interesting and possibly important.

The mouth of the Ping-Yang lies almost due east from Chifu, and distant about 140 miles. Most of the forest trees known to the northern latitudes of America, are found covering the hills which border the coast. The crops are wheat, barley, cotton and rice, in their seasons, and the farmers and farm laborers appear thrifty and well-to-do. Large numbers are also engaged in fishing.

The Government, although paying a sort of nominal tribute to China, is nevertheless practically independent, and does not, apparently, desire any intercourse with foreign nations. Indeed, the rulers manifest an evident dislike to foreigners.

This opposition comes from the Mandarins and men in power among them. The inferior classes are peaceable and even friendly to foreigners, but they have little or no influence. As in Japan, the nobles are the Lords of the manor, and the country people little better than serfs. Under such circumstances, there is, of course, but little trade. There is no foreign trade, a very restricted coasting trade, and but few vessels are seen. Physically, the natives are equal, if not superior to the Chinese, but are not so intelligent. They use the Chinese character, but speak a dialect of their own. All the questions put by the *Shenandoah's* party were made in writing and passed to a messenger, and through him to the Mandarin, and so with the answers.

When the Mandarins and officers go abroad the way is cleared with a big stick. The towns, villages and settlements are dirty, unpaved and squalid looking. Every house has a pigstye attached, and the natives eat largely of pork. The houses are low and a kang covers the whole ground floor. Their language is syllabic, and they read it in a sing-song, monotonous tone. They call their country Shan-Shein, and regard it as the El Dorado of China. They dress in white cotton cloths, and although they use large quantities of European manufacture, they also make it largely themselves. They are ignorant, superstitious and boastful. Proud of their success in "droving off," as they term it, the French, English and Americans they now boast their ability to cope with them all combined. They say that as 200 of "their people" had whipped the *Gen. Sherman* 1,000 could whip the *Shenandoah*. Such is a brief sketch of the people and the country with which we have for the third time been brought into contact; the visit of the war steamer *Wachusett* in 1867 forming the second chain in the link. It remains to be seen what further developments the action of the Government at Washington are destined to bring about.

INTERNATIONAL TREATIES.

But little progress has yet been made toward the proposed revision of the British treaty, which expires during the coming month. The chief points upon which the English memorialists urge a revision are 1st, the better regulation of inland transit dues, which are intended to protect foreign property purchased in or sent to the interior, from the illegal exactions ("squeezes") of local authorities. 2d, A more efficient system of legal procedure, to enable foreigners to recover debts from Chinese. 3d, The right of residence in the interior and of navigating the inland waters in steamboats; and 4th, The privilege of opening mines and establishing railroads and telegraphs. The British Minister, Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK, seems to have taken issue with the merchants and memorialists at the different treaty ports, and the prospect of a satisfactory adjustment of these important matters in the short space of time now to lapse before the expiration of the treaty, is far from favorable.

A revision of the United States treaty with China on these points is no less desirable, and as the article already quoted from justly observes: "If Mr. BURLINGAME'S mission is to do any good it will be in a great measure by opening the eyes of his Chinese colleagues to the material advantages which Western nations now enjoy through their system of law, revenue and internal communication. If they will learn their lesson faithfully, and can impart it to their masters at Pekin, the difficulties in the way of treaty revision will be ten-fold reduced."

NORTHERN NEWS.

Having just returned from an extended tour in Northern China as far as Pekin and the Great Wall, I inclose a few items of interest in regard to that region. There is now a fair prospect that the coal and iron mines at Chaitang, sixty-five miles west-northwest of the capital, about which so much has been said by the foreign Press of late, will be developed under foreign supervision, if not by foreign capital. It is proposed to organize a company on the limited liability principle, for the purpose of building a road from the mines to Pekin and Tientsin, whence the Peiho River will afford successful transportation to Taku and the sea-coast. If this proposition is carried out, as now seems every way probable, coal equal to the best American and English anthracite and bituminous varieties can be delivered at the sea board at $11 per ton, affording a handsome profit to the contractors. Prices in Pekin, within seventy miles of the mines, have hitherto ranged from $14 to $17 per ton. The coal was carried thither on the backs of camels and mules, however.

THE REBELS.

The rebels still continue to hover round the Peiho River in the vicinity of Tientsin, despoiling the country and the hard-working peasantry, burning villages and interrupting trade. Tientsin has been in a state of chronic panic for a month past. The Imperialist troops within the walls number about 15,000, but they are useful only for defence, and even for that they do not inspire much confidence among the inhabitants, who are leaving in large numbers. The rebels have things pretty much their own way, and rob, burn and kill with perfect impunity; while the imbecile, *effete* Government at Pekin amuse themselves by spelling over their daily dispatches and issuing orders for the "immediate execution of all rebels" whenever or wherever caught. Practically the rebels are a convenient shuttlecock between the Government and the respective Provincial authorities, who play them back and forth to the best advantage to themselves.

PERSONAL.

While in Pekin, I had the pleasure of meeting Dr. S. WELLS WILLIAMS, now *Charge d' Affairs* of the United States in China—we believe, for the sixth time—and Dr. W. A. P. MARTIN, *Times* correspondent, one of the most efficient foreign missionaries and brilliant scholars in China. The former gentleman is still busily engaged on his dictionary, but having the whole duty of the Legation to discharge, besides a large amount of other official and literary labor, his time is necessarily so much engrossed that he has little left for the prosecution of his great work. He is greatly in need of assistance, and the Government should see that it is forthcoming. Dr. MARTIN has just completed the translation and compilation of an extensive work on natural philosophy in the Wanlee language, in which he is said to be the most proficient foreign scholar in China. He intends visiting the States with his family during the coming Summer.

The appointment of Mr. J. ROSS BROWNE to the Pekin Mission is generally regarded with favor. He is looked for by the next Pacific Mail steamer. As Ministerial matters stand in the Empire at present he will come none too soon for American interests, and if the old saw that "a new broom sweeps clean" is to be verified, stirring times may be expected among the Ministers and native Court officials.

THE YELLOW AND YANGTZE RIVERS.

The projected exploration of the Yellow River, which has been agitated of late, has been postponed for the present, apparently not so much through want of the necessary pecuniary support as for want of "the right man" to organize and conduct it. The Royal Asiatic Society, of which there is a branch in this city, having our efficient Consul-General, GEO. F. SEWARD, for its President, have been the active advocates of the movement. They have taken the initiative in a most praiseworthy manner, and although some delay will take place in commencing the work, the matter will not be allowed to fall through altogether. But really this subject should have the attention of Government and not be left to private enterprise or the efforts of literary and scientific bodies, who in a country like China have always sufficient claims upon their time and means. The Yellow River presents an opening for extending commerce, and for securing to American enterprise and capital another of China's great inland arteries of trade and travel. While we have so many Government steamers lying about unemployed in these waters, one or two could not be better employed than in prosecuting this great object. Difficult shoals and sand deposits are known to exist at the mouth of the river; but, as no soundings have been taken for some years, it is idle to speculate upon the possibilities or probabilities for navigating it. Its current is known to be very swift, and nothing short of steam could be successfully used. A "look-see," as the Chinamen call it, may help greatly to solve the whole difficulty, and it should be made at once. The river may prove a second Yangtze, and pending the revision of the treaty, our Government and people could not do anything better calculated to sustain the reputation and influence which they have already achieved in this Empire than by being the first to explore it and prove what its capacity is for the purposes of commerce.

While on the subject of river trade, I wish to add a word of caution to the shipping and commercial men, more particularly the steamboat owners of New-York and the United States generally, with regard to the trade of the Yangtze River. Ever since my arrival here—indeed, since the opening of navigation this year—rumors of the organization of a new steamboat company have been rife. Rumor pointed to the irrepressible Commodore CORNELIUS VANDERBILT as being at the bottom of it, while others associated the name of one of the largest and best known American firms in China with the movement. Beyond the dispatch of a few circular letters to the friends of the house in question, probably nothing has yet been done toward organizing an opposition, and I should scarcely have given the subject notice but for the purpose of making a simple statement with regard to the trade of the river. It is still, to a great extent, in the hands of the native junk and boatmen, who carry freight and passengers at rates so low as almost to preclude competition. In the transportation of teas, silks and other produce of the country, for which speedy markets are sought, and to some extent for native passengers also steam has the advantage. The S. S. N. and Union (opposition) S. N. Companies combined, have ten large, powerful steamers in the river, forming a daily communication between this port and Hankow. The average capacity of the boats of the former line are upward of 1,500 tons, and of the latter 750 tons. They are magnificent steamers, with ample passenger accommodations, but business of all kinds on the river has been so dull of late that the S. S. N. Company have reduced their service for the present to two boats a week instead of three, and it is not unlikely that unless a revival of trade takes place the "Union" will undergo a similar "slowing down." Of course, when the ten begins to come in steamboats business will be more active and boats will have full freights, but the "heavy shipping business," I find, lasts but about six to eight weeks in the year, and the profits arising therefrom, although large, have generally been overestimated. The "Shanghae" and "Union" companies possess, between them, the interest and confidence of all traders, both Chinese and foreign, between this port and Hankow; and as long as they continue to do so, there will be no healthy business for further opposition. Those among your readers who, tempted by flattering "reports," and the representations of interested parties here, have been indulging in dreams of golden harvests in steamboating on the Yangtze, and have thus been led to contemplate transferring their boats from the Sound and the Hudson to these waters, would do well to weigh both sides carefully before starting another opposition on the Yangtze.

Admiral ROWAN, just appointed to the command of the Asiatic Squadron, *vice* the lamented BELL, arrived at Hong Kong on the 26th April, and will shortly proceed to Yokohama.

The crops in Northern China are very fine, and the prospects for a plenteous harvest favorable. It will indeed be a godsend to the poor, provisions, owing to the failure of crops for three years past, having risen in some districts to almost famine prices.

E. H. H.

MASSACHUSETTS.

How the Democratic Nominations Were Received—Where is the "Comfortin' Oyster Shell?"—The Hide and Leather Bank Irregularity—An Important Suit Decided.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, Saturday, July 11, 1868.

"We have biles, and are rotten with 'em, but whar's the comfortin' oyster shell?" So said P. V. Nasby to the members of his church, soon after the nomination of McCLELLAN and PENDLETON—a team, he said, which pulled vigorously, but instead of going ahead, it went round and round. The Democrats of Boston particularly, and Massachusetts generally, were silent and glum over the Democratic nominations, and felt like asking for the "comfortin' oyster shell." The Union Constitutional Club postponed a grand glorification meeting at its new and elegant rooms, which it had intended to hold in case HANCOCK or CHASE had received the Presidential nomination, and the victuals were left untouched, to either spoil or find their way into a cheap eating house, while the blue-lights and sky-rockets remained unpopped, to the great disgust of juveniles. The Massachusetts delegation left home for New-York with its mind made up to see HANCOCK or CHASE placed at the head of the ticket, and would have revolted at the idea of voting for SEYMOUR, had such a thing been suggested at their councils. I am well enough acquainted with several of the delegation to know that they have regarded Mr. SEYMOUR as the exponent of a Democracy that cannot be misunderstood—a Democracy that, during the rebellion, announced that if GRANT won a battle, it would be in part a triumph over the fundamental law of the Government; that if SHERMAN conquered Atlanta, an essential portion of the Constitution would thereafter be defunct, and that "if our soldiers conquered the rebellion its glory would be lost in the consciousness that a portion of its fruit is a marred and battered Constitution." Upon their return home, the delegates felt ashamed at being caught in the terrific whirlpool of stupid enthusiasm that caused SEYMOUR to go rushing down into an ante-room of the convention hall, and not until the chagrin and disappointment of the party here has passed away will the delegates be called upon to give an account of their stewardship. But it is evident that no dram-drinker, suddenly deprived of his cup, no confirmed tobacco-chewer in the first pangs of an attempt to abstain from the weed, ever exhibited such an appetite to return to the demoralizing influences of his pernicious indulgences, as is now shown by the old Democratic politicians of this State to enjoy once more the honors and emoluments, the pickings and stealings of office. While the privates swear that they will not enlist in a lost cause, the leaders talk finely about the delights and loveliness of peace, and if they sympathized with the rebellion, and were enamored of the system of human slavery, they hail with pleasure the nomination of SEYMOUR and BLAIR as "the right candidates." The coppery blood has received a fresh impulse; the mischievous demagogue who higgled and huckstered with the national authorities to serve a base political purpose during the war, finds "friends" here but within a limited circle which can control only a few votes; but the conservative element that was gravitating toward the Democratic Party is lost, only to vote for GRANT and COLFAX. There are Democrats here honest enough to confess that the whole proceedings of the New-York Convention are equivalent to a determination to attempt to undo all that has been done since the surrender of Gen. LEE. In other words, that the Convention resolved to strike boldly for popular favor with the weapons which were readiest for use; that whatever was available to political success was what was most needed; that the platform was dictated by the same principle, and, in short, the idea was to win, and win the Democracy must, or the party is lost. Truth, honor, principles, must be sacrificed but the party must be preserved. Massachusetts will give the Chicago ticket 20,000 more votes than it would, had it not been for the incongruous action of the New-York Convention. The voters of this State have already made up their minds how they will vote. Ten thousand political speeches will not change a thousand votes. A blunt old veteran said that the Democratic Convention was nothing but a rat-hole for rebels to sneak back into political life, and that it would "wrench the Republican Party terribly to kick at nothing," meaning the candidates of the opposition. But however easy the State will be carried for GRANT and COLFAX, it is now well understood among the members of the Central Committee, that the struggle in this State will be in securing members of Congress. The Democrats, expecting to make no show upon the electoral ticket, are organizing to secure the election of a number of Congressmen, and will expend all their energy and money in that direction. The Republicans, of course, will see to it that the political character of the delegation from this State remains unchanged.

AN IMPORTANT SUIT.

The British Consulship at this port is an important and lucrative office. It is probably worth $35,000 or $40,000 a year, or was prior to a recent decision involving certain fees attached to the office. Some months since the Government of Nova Scotia ordered the case of JAMES LONG, a sailing master, *vs.* FRANCIS LOUSADA, the British Consul at this port, to be adjudicated in the District Court, for the purpose of determining whether the Consul could legally claim certain fees, and without payment of which he refused to deliver up the vessel's register and papers necessary for the Captain to go to sea. The plaintiff is the master of the British brig *Valorous*. It appears that he paid the money under protest, and this action was brought to test the question. The Consul has for years been in the habit of charging these fees, and the shipowners have protested against his right to do so. The Consul claimed that he was entitled to them from long-established custom. These fees amount to some $14,000 or $16,000 annually, while the salary of the office is not over $1,000 a year. Several days were occupied with the suit, and it resulted in finding a verdict for the plaintiff. The decision is an important one, as it involves a question of dollars and cents to the British Colonial shipping interest, which has increased wonderfully within the past six years.

THE HIDE AND LEATHER BANK CASE.

It is understood that the officers of the Hide and Leather Bank will allow no more revelations to be made concerning the defalcation of its late cashier until the matter is taken into Court. The gentlemen who furnished the bonds for MARTIN have been called upon to pass over to the institution the amount which they subscribed as a guarantee of the honesty of the cashier, but they decline to accommodate the officers with the necessary checks until a full investigation of the affairs of the institution has been had. What they are desirous of getting at is whether they are liable to the bank for the ignorance of the officers who suffered their friend to rob them systematically right under their very nose. In the United States Circuit Court, one of the sureties of FELTON, the cashier's accomplices, asked to surrender his principal on the ground that his relation to him embarrassed him in his business. This difficulty was overcome by the Court reducing the bail from $50,000 to $20,000. Mr. FELTON is now without pecuniary means, it is alleged; and his counsel stated that the money he had withdrawn from the bank was certainly not over one-half of the amount ($575,000) alleged to be missing, and had been used and wholly expended in the course of his business. VIGIL.

THE GREAT STORM.

Terrible Effects of Lightning in Orange County—Over a Dozen Persons Killed—Trees Uprooted and Fences Torn Down.

Correspondence of the New-York Times:

NEWBURG, Saturday, July 11, 1868.

Extraordinary reports are in from all parts of Orange County relative to terrible thunder-storms in different sections, during which twelve persons were killed by lightning. On Friday afternoon, July 3, a severe thunder-storm passed over the country near Middletown. The house of JAMES WADE, a colored man, was struck by lightning, instantly killing the wife of WADE and two of his four children. The house was entirely consumed. OLIVER KIRBY, employed as a brakeman on the Hawley Branch Railroad, was instantly killed the same afternoon by the electric fluid. The lightning ent

LOUISIANA.

Reorganizing the State—Amending the City Charter—Tribute to the United States Officers and Soldiers.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW-ORLEANS, Sunday, July 5, 1868.

Without any partisan bias it becomes a duty to say that the organization of the Louisiana Legislature has been accompanied with two acts so contrary to Republican usage as to require military intervention. The Lieutenant-Governor elect was a military appointment. He entered the Senate Chamber, and assuming that he was the only Senator duly authorized to act, prescribed an oath to the members as they entered, which was not required under the Constitution, under which they took their seats. This oath, disclaiming any participation in the secession, excluded of course almost all the Democratic members. By a similar claim of authority the Lieutenant-Governor appointed all the ministerial officers of the Senate. The Senate, thus constituted, consisted of nineteen members, and a committee, appointed by the presiding officer, proceeded to examine the credentials of members, and promptly decided that one or two Democrats, who had the returns or certificates of election from Gen. BUCHANAN, were not entitled to their seats. A similar state of things existed in the lower House, in which it was decided to give the seat, *prima facie*, in contested cases, to the member having the certificate of the Board of Registration instead of the military commandant. The excitement from these causes was naturally very great. Each party charged the other with violent intentions. The Republicans alleged that we were to have

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repeated, as it was alleged that many Sicilians were in the Senate lobby ready to assassinate the presiding officer. The Republican organ on the other side admitted a similar state of preparation. It said:

"Nearly ten thousand trained soldiers are said to be numbered on the Grand Army rolls in this city and neighborhood. The threats that are noised about against some of their favorite leaders cannot escape their ears.

'And shall Trelawney die,
And must Trelawney die,
Then twenty thousand Kentish men
Will know the reason why.'

We have been credibly informed that only a half hour's warning was needed, as, indeed, at one time it was expected yesterday, to place three thousand of these men on Dryades-street in shape for service."

The result of these preparations was that the military were stationed around the hall of legislation, and the lobby cleared of the crowd. In the meantime efforts were made to induce the military authorities here and at Washington to decide whether the extra oath should be administered to the members? Gen. BUCHANAN declined to interfere, and Gen. GRANT contented himself with the suggestion that the same rule should be pursued here as in other Southern States where no oath was administered save those specified in the new Constitution. Gen. GRANT gave no order, and the presiding officer openly said that his own authority was paramount to that of the military in the matter of organizing the new Government. The second act of revolution to which allusion has been made was to give the seat to the member contesting. This threw the burden on a contestant who had ostensibly the larger number of votes. The decision superseded the authority of the Reconstruction act and made the act of a constitution not in existence paramount to the authority of Congress. Under these circumstances it could not be otherwise than that the Republican leaders, Press and all, backed down from the illegal position. The obnoxious and extra judicial oath was omitted and the members elect were admitted to seats on the certificate of the District Commander. To show the illegality of this attempt requires but few words. 1. The Lieutenant-Governor has no executive authority of himself until there is a vacancy, temporary or final, in the office of his superior. 2. An executive officer cannot perform a legislative act. 3. The Lieutenant-Governor is prohibited from voting in the Senate except in case of a tie vote. 4. He cannot preside over a body until it has been organized. 5. Organization implies a quorum, and a presiding officer cannot by himself constitute a quorum.

The *coup d'etat*, however, resulted in assuring the Legislature to the Radicals, with the addition to their majority of two or three members. There is no authority for saying to what consideration they owed their abandonment of the illegal position. It was placed by them on the magnanimous ground of concession to the Democratic minority. It evinced a determination to have and hold the State Government in all its departments. It was a sort of Mission Ridge fight, where the main battle has been decided by securing a position. The majority in both bodies gives the Radicals power to amend the City Charter. We expect here that the subjugation of our municipal authorities will be more complete even than that of New-York. Already the attack has commenced by a bill reported empowering the Governor and Senate to nominate and appoint five Police Commissioners, who are to appoint the policemen. This is an important element of City patronage. The bill will be followed, no doubt, by others of a similar character. It is curious that in this attack upon the Redan of Democracy two negroes were put at the head of the columns. The presiding officer of each House was a negro. It shows the danger of intrusting power to inexperienced men who see nothing except the success of their own party in the increase of power intrusted to them. The temporary Speaker of the lower House was replaced by a white man on the organization. There was no doubt danger of a popular affray, but the presence of the military has prevented that possibility. The colored population assemble in crowds to look at the soldiers; they do not seem to comprehend the impartiality of military discipline, and apparently apprehend that the soldiers have "gone back on them" because they do not take their side.

UNITED STATES OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS.

Now that the Military Government approaches a termination, there can be no misapprehension of a just tribute to the army in the South. No soldiers ever behaved so well in a conquered country as those of the Federal Army. Sober, and respectful to women and children, they have moved among our citizens without resentment, until they have come to be recognized as a part of our society, useful in preserving order and in nowise dangerous or offensive. It is not improbable that some demonstration of public approval may be offered them before their departure by their late antagonists. They deserve it. The fraternization of those who fought each other will give peace to the land. There is no news which you will not receive by telegraph. I do not think any disturbance need be apprehended in our city. The majority rule with an iron hand, the minority grumble and acquiesce.

W. M. B.

A What Is It in Louisiana—Panic Among the Negroes.

Correspondence of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

HAMMOND, La., Thursday, July 2, 1868.

"Have you seen the wild man?" were first words upon everybody's tongue yesterday. Some answered in the affirmative and some in the negative. For my part I have not seen him. The people in this community were, on the 30th ult., thrown into the greatest excitement by the announcement that a wild man had been seen in the woods by some hunters, distant about one mile west of this town, in Livingston County. The description given by the parties who saw him I obtained second-hand, and consequently cannot vouch for its accuracy. He is described as being about seven feet high, with large, ferocious eyes, his body covered with long black hair, and as being precisely in the shape of a human. It is reported as being bullet-proof, as he has been shot at several times by different parties who have encountered him, without any visible effect. All sorts of stories and considerable speculation have been in circulation concerning this singular being. Some positively assert it is the devil, come for the Radicals and the negroes; while another class insist upon its being a ghost; and still another and more probable character is given by others, who are of opinion it is some escaped animal from a menagerie now exhibiting in Mississippi. Again, there are others who believe no such thing has been seen at all, it is just being something gotten up for the purpose of alarming the negroes. And if the latter be the case, the object is completely accomplished, for a more thoroughly alarmed set of beings never existed than are the negroes here. A panic has broken out, and yesterday, as the freight train went north, twenty-four of these panic-stricken beings leaped on the flat cars and were carried away. From the many inconsistent stories told, I am of opinion that there is more "scare" than hurt, although one report says he has killed one man, six dogs, three horses and five head of cattle. But as I can trace the rumor to no reliable source, I give it no credit. A young man named SAMUEL AKERS, it is reported, shot three times at the object and missed it; and, after the third shot he ran to a pile of crossties, seized one, threw it on his shoulder, and jumped thirty feet up into a pine tree, and then threw the tie at young AKERS, which came very near hitting him. This is rather too huge a story to meet with believers.

As far as I can learn this curious animal (if such it is) was first seen about sixty miles from here, in the State of Mississippi, and was driven ten miles across the State line. This took place about a week ago. The next seen of it was as before stated, about one mile from this place. I have tried to find some one who could give a reliable version of the affair, but can find no such person. I am inclined to the belief that there is nothing, or was either an escaped man monkey from a menagerie, or a device of the Ku-klux to intimidate the negroes, as it is known there are a large number loitering about here, who live entirely by support of the Freedmen's Bureau, including what they can steal.

TENNESSEE.

A Gossiping Letter About Politics, Trade, Social Matters, &c., &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Tuesday, June 30, 1868.

Allow me to furnish to your readers a dish of that gossip which just now occupies our good people of Memphis, and may be as entertaining to others as political disquisitions, arguments and speculations.

During last week we had five murders and one National Bank collapse. The murders were a natural result of every person carrying concealed weapons, and that public feeling which justifies a resort to violence upon the slightest provocation. Here every policeman, every public officer, every Judge of a court, and with few exceptions everybody else, carries a revolver, a Derringer or a bowie knife. Slight altercations and drunken broils, which would elsewhere result in black eyes and bloody noses, here end in murderous tragedies. We are to have six murder trials this week, and the chances are that in every case there will be an acquittal, as we have here few murders except those that grow out of open warfare. The bank collapse will not badly affect anybody in Memphis, as the loss will mainly fall on New-York people. Many months ago, in one of my letters to the TIMES, I referred to the fact of a bank here borrowing money at three per cent. a month as a sign of an unhealthy state of affairs. I mentioned no name, but the bank referred to was the Merchants' National, the one which has just gone under. Its President, Mr. CHERRY, is a gentleman of high repute for honor and capacity, but the bank tried to carry through the great financial crisis our merchants who had made ruinous advances to planters whose crops were a failure. The result was such embarrassments as no financial ability on the part of the officers of the bank could surmount. Mr. CHERRY has the sympathy of our whole people. The sale of the bank building for $30,000 a couple of hours before the bank closed, was at first a subject of animadversion, but it is justified by the fact that Col. COWARD, its purchaser, had loaned the bank when it was hardest pressed, considerable sums of money, with a full knowledge of the desperate state of affairs, and a positive stipulation that his interests should be protected if the aid thus given to the bank should not suffice to carry it through its difficulties. Some of our other banks are said to have some trouble in floating, but the general impression is that we have had the last of our bank failures.

PROSPECTS OF TRADE.

Trade is still dull in Memphis. It can only grow better from the development of the country of which Memphis is the centre and greater enterprise on the part of our business men. The country grows slowly. Men who own large tracts of land are unwilling to sell except at high figures, and give but a churlish welcome to new settlers. To lessen the taxes on our land proprietors, the most onerous impositions are placed upon all privileges of doing business. This injures trade, but there is nothing so injurious to the mercantile interests of Memphis as the want of enterprise of her business men. They do nothing to attract trade; they employ few (scarce any) traveling agents; they advertise sparsely in country newspapers; they invest very little capital in opening up new channels of trade. True, they have very little surplus capital now to invest in anything, but they have never been liberal with railroads and pocket lines, and even their Chamber of Commerce is a dead thing—an institution without life or usefulness. Many of our business houses have been branches of Northern firms or composed of old-fashioned merchants who know nothing but to charge a big commission for the sale of cotton and a high advance on the goods supplied to planters. Perhaps we will have more live men by and by.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

An effort is now being made, under the auspices of enterprising and public-spirited gentlemen, to give to Memphis advantages which she has never before enjoyed and which may enable her in certain ways to compete with Louisville and St. Louis. Mr. PEYTON, of the Memphis and Louisville Railroad, a highly educated and most honorable gentleman, with the concurrence of that king of freight agents, Mr. ENOCH TAYLOR, than whom there is no more worthy and energetic and high-minded man in this community, and Col. SAM JONES, who has no superior in the Southwest as a railroad manager, has gone to Europe to make preliminary arrangements for the establishment of a direct trade between Europe and Memphis. The project has been approved by Mayor LEFTWICH and others of our leading citizens, and is said to have been very favorably regarded by Mr. CUNARD, of the Cunard Steamship Line, who will give it every support. This project does not involve the towage of vessels up the Mississippi nor any other such absurdity. The goods are to be brought by steamers to New-York, and hence sent in bond direct through to Memphis, *via* Louisville, by which route the return of cotton to pay for such goods may be sent direct from Memphis to Europe. This will enable mercantile houses here to compete with any others for the trade of the Mississippi Valley. Mr. PEYTON takes out with him samples of cotton, and will show Europeans the rates for which it can be bought here from first hands. Few men are better adapted for carrying through this great scheme than Mr. PEYTON. Educated for a clergyman, but on account of ill health adopting a more active life, he has had a thorough mercantile education, and has a high reputation for worth and enterprise. This and his large acquaintance among the first business houses of England and Scotland give assurance of his success

MIGRATION WESTWARD.

The fever to migrate from here to the mushroom cities along the line of the great Pacific Railroad has pretty much subsided, but men are still leaving here for St. Louis and Louisville, which are expected to be great centres of trade.

Mr. MERRIMAN, one of our largest dealers in jewelry and silver ware, who is also one of our County Commissioners, has transferred all his interests to St. Louis and will go there to reside this Fall. He was one of the Directors of the Merchants' National Bank, and lost six thousand dollars by its failure. Mr. ERICH, one of our most extensive crockery dealers, is also going to St. Louis. HORACE STONE, a very enterprising wholesale boot and shoe dealer, will do the same. The LOWENSTINES, MENKENS, SEESELS, RICES, and other Hebrew firms, still hold on here, but talk of going to St. Louis, New-York, Philadelphia, or somewhere that is more brisk than Memphis.

RAILROAD MONOPOLIES.

The last Legislature gave to certain of its members and associates a monopoly of five out of six main roads coming into Memphis, and allowing them to charge toll on the bridges and over the roads made by the County of Shelby. This arrangement was approved by our County Commissioners, one or more of whom had an interest in the tolling. The people grumbled and refused to pay toll. One who refused was prosecuted and acquitted. The County Commissioners were vexed and wanted a legal opinion in their favor, but their own county attorney, Mr. WOODWARD, gave an opinion that the bridges and roads built by the county could not be taken without compensation and toll charged by a private corporation over them. Mr. WOODWARD will be removed very soon.

ELOPEMENT PREVENTED.

One of our squires of high degree made arrangements a few days ago to elope with a pretty servant girl, but his wife found it out and gave them such a lesson that they abandoned the project. The back of the girl was badly marked with the cowhide, and the squire will not soon forget his castigation.

ORIGINAL UNIONISTS.

When Tennessee voted on secession, there were five ballots cast in Memphis against it. Who cast these ballots was not known, and several of those suspected of having done so refuted the idea by giving active aid to the rebellion immediately afterward. Among those suspected of having voted against secession was Mr. JAMES DAVIS, who was not heard of until after Federal occupation, and solely on account of having been supposed to have cast this one vote has been Notary Public, City Inspector, Commissioner of Registration, TAX Collector on Privileges, and Claim Commissioner, and is now suggested for Postmaster in this city. He is an honest, worthy, pig-headed gentleman, who would make just as good a Judge of the United States Supreme Court as he would a Postmaster.

The new gas company that was started last year in Memphis, and suspended by injunction of the United States Court, has fizzled out, and some fifty or sixty thousand dollars' worth of material has been sold for a petty debt of two thousand dollars. A Cincinnati firm is the loser.

TROUBLE WITH GRAND JURIES.

We have a great deal of trouble in Memphis with our Grand Juries. They are selected by rival cliques of politicians, and devote themselves mainly to finding out the rascality that is alleged against members of rival political parties or cliques. The Grand Jury of the Municipal Court has just found indictments against two of our Police Commissioners (BEAUMONT and BURDETT) for grave offences. BEAUMONT was previously indicted for some swindle or fraud or other offence by the Grand Jury of the Criminal Court, but has managed for a year past to prevent the case coming to trial, or if he has not done so somebody has. Mr. BEAUMONT, called usually Colonel, though he was only a Second or Third Lieutenant in the Confederate service, is now in Arkansas, and is expected to return with proofs of rascalities by those Radicals who don't belong to his clique, and who formerly held appointments in Arkansas. Our Police is so rotten that when ordered by the Legislature to account for the money it collects, its officers, from the highest to the lowest, refused to do so, and have for a year past gone on in direct violation of the law. The Police Commissioners think that political influences were brought to bear to secure indictments against them, and consider this hard as otherwise they, by political influences, might have avoided it, or even secured compliments for efficiency. They could retaliate by exposures of the County Commissioners, but the County Commissioners, under recent legislative enactments, pick the Grand Juries and of course won't put on fellows who are unfriendly to them.

CONDITION OF THE CROPS.

The wheat crop of the Southwest has done extremely well this year. Many are sanguine that the Southern States are yet to be the leading grain-growing States of the Union. A larger area was this year devoted to cereals than ever before, and planters everywhere are anxious to get all labor-saving agricultural implements. Another discovery recently made by Southern people is, that blue grass will do well in many places, and that consequently stock-growing can be pursued to advantage. The oats crop is just now suffering from drought. Cotton is doing very well in Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee. There is no less area devoted to it this year than heretofore, but nearly every planter is trying to grow all the food that he will need for the support of his family and employes. The blacks work better than they did last year. PHILO.

TEXAS.

An Interesting Anniversary—The Question of Colored Suffrage.

AUSTIN, Texas, Friday, June 19, 1868.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It is not for the mere purpose of writing a gossipping letter that I address you, nor is it from any desire to keep my name before the public that I expose my sentiments to criticism.

There are days when no one should shrink from a public duty because of popular prejudice. And of all public men I, perhaps, have the least motive to do so. Whatever of name or fame I have in the world has been acquired by devotion to learning, reflection and the undisguised publication of my sentiments. I write now with the hope that what I may say may arrest the attention of a few thinking men. I am aware that the occasion may not be well timed. It hardly ever is. The Press lives and breathes with the current of passing events; and it remains for those who come after us to deduce the philosophy of history by recurring to the records of facts rather than of thoughts. I need not say that I was born and reared in the South; and that my whole life, save the last three years, has been spent among the people of that unfortunate section. Nor need I repeat that it has been my good or ill fortune to differ widely with a majority of those whom I have always loved, despite the bitterness of these differences.

I seize the occasion of a day to point a moral from a few facts. This is the anniversary of Gen. GORDON GRANGER'S proclamation declaring freedom to the slaves of Texas. It will be remembered by those who read my "Last Days of the Rebellion in Texas," that the armies of Texas did not surrender, but simultaneously dissolved, after which the citizens returned to their homes. Ideas were then unsettled as to the future of slavery; indeed, as to the future of every thing. The State Government was dissolved, and all the officers abdicated. In this state of anarchy the people began to discuss the question as to whether there existed law or government, or lawful authority, Confederate or State, during the rebellion? Or whether, indeed, every thing was not "void *ab initio*." The Reconstruction Convention of Texas is discussing that unprofitable abstraction with great bitterness and acrimony to-day.

This being the third anniversary of freedom to the slaves in Texas, they celebrated it by a barbecue in a beautiful grove near the State Capitol. There were three or four thousand of them, men and women, present. They were addressed by Gov. HAMILTON and other members of the Texas Convention and by a number of their own colored leaders. They sang a few patriotic airs with very great enthusiasm. They were a well-dressed, orderly crowd. There was no instance of drunkenness or indecorum among them. Their white visitors were given places at the table with all becoming ceremony. These guests occupied one long line of table—that is, one side thereof; but the other side was occupied by the colored citizens. Let those who are ever ready to be horrified at the notions of negro equality make the most of this. I but record the fact. Gov. PEASE, Gov. HAMILTON, Judge BELLINGER, EDWARD DEGENER, Gen. EDMOND J. DAVIS, Judge CALDWELL, Judge WHITMORE, Major LANGLEY, Judge NOONAN, Judge STRIBLING and many other distinguished gentlemen did eat at the same table with those who, three years ago, were slaves. Nor were these men carpet-baggers, mean whites or mere adventurers, as too many are prone to think.

Nor were they always "Abolitionists," or men in obscure corners. The place selected called up reminiscences not easily forgotten in this country. A little less than thirteen years ago a great barbacue was held on this same ground. The occasion was the triumph of Democracy in the election as Governor of this same ELISHA M. PEASE over Know-Nothingism. Then the issue was whether our German and other European immigrants, and our indigenous Mexicans, (Catholics,) should be allowed longer to exercise the elective franchise. The contest was a very bitter one, and the "Native Americans" were defeated by only a few thousand majority. To-day I saw Judge STRIBLING, Dr. PHILLIPS, Judge WHITMORE, Judge EVANS, Judge TURNER, and other distinguished Know-Nothing leaders, mingling with Gov. PEASE, Gov. HAMILTON, Judge PASCHAL, and other leaders of the Democracy during that exciting year. The ground of antagonism then was suffrage for the Dutch, the Irish, the Catholics and the Mexicans. The bond of brotherhood now is the common danger of having been Union men during the darkest hour, and the advocacy of suffrage for the blacks. In the one contest and the other there was a kind of principle, but a very narrow one. The voting of the foreign population was opposed upon the ground that they were generally "Catholics," who acknowledged paramount allegiance to the Pope," and that they were too ignorant of American institutions. Both these arguments were urged against the Mexicans with great emphasis. But the weak point in the argument was that these people sought to be proscribed were already clothed with the ballot.

So to-day over 600,000 free black citizens of the United States have voted and are voting, and the question is, Shall they continue to vote? To state the question is to answer it. The colored people compose one-eighth of the nation. There is not the moral force in political parties to take the ballot out of their hands. So long as their right is opposed they will remain a solidified mass in favor of that party which favors them. Let the controversy cease, and they will divide like other people. Then the senseless cry about the balance of power and "negro supremacy" would sink into merited contempt.

But there is something more than a question of party policy in this matter. The question is one of peace or war. There were 200,000 blacks who bore arms in the war against the rebellion; there were about the same number of white Union soldiers from the slave States. These men, upon every principle of justice, won the heritage of liberty and the right of protection which those who warred against the Union forfeited. A principle of common safety now binds all this loyal element together. They cannot and will not surrender the common boon. Take away the support of the black citizens and the last condition of the white Unionists would be worse than the first.

It may be laid as a predicate, then, that the freed men of the Southern States do vote and will continue to vote, until the principles which suppressed the rebellion are overthrown, and treason becomes meritorious and loyalty a crime.

This power of voting has been given by Congress, thus overthrowing the Government established by President JOHNSON in the hands of those who fought against the Union. The principle of justice is certainly on the side of the Congressional policy. Security and safety are also there. The objection that these people are incapable of exercising wisdom in choice is fast disappearing. They are improving with a rapidity which astonishes even those who had most faith in their capacity. The exercise of political choice has advanced them more than they would have advanced in many years without it. Their courage increases with their acquisition of property and expansion of mind. Three years ago these people were all slaves, without lands, chattels or intelligence, and withal they had to encounter not only the deepest prejudice against race and caste, but also the unreasonable and often the murderous resentments of those who had lost absolute power over them. And yet against all this, many of them are becoming respectable property-holders, and there are no traders so blind as not to seek their custom. Not a few show fine speaking talents. The nine in the Convention are average men. As to whether the negro will voluntarily work, is answered by the fact that crops were never better in Texas, and it is not established that the whites are doing more work than in former years.

Upon the whole the blacks are to-day a powerful element in the nation. They are disproving every evil prediction against them. And it is better that all men should acknowledge the fact, that the exclusion from the polls on account color only, is the most untenable of all distinctions yet conceived. Nativity, want of property, or intelligence, non-payment of taxes, or religion, in a republic, have scarcely a show of reason, since all men have an equal interest in life and liberty, and hence in the choice of magistrates. But disfranchisement on account of color alone, is a war upon the wise creator of all men. The Republicans may dodge the question or even go back; the Democrats may resolve against it; but the work has been virtually accomplished. The clothing of the black man with citizenship has elevated him to political rights. And, at last, with him there is no middle ground between the ballot and slavery. To make reaction practicable it must be complete. To return to slavery is beyond the power of any political party. It is better then that all should accept the situation and pass to issues which are not irritating abstrations.

GEO. W. PASCHAL.

PERU.

Sensational Events—Crime at Callao—Building of a Railroad—The Yellow Fever.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LIMA, Peru, S. A., Sunday, June 14, 1868.

There is a certain class of men, and women too, that I have met in busy, bustling, driving New-York, who have so long lived a life of artificial excitement that they are constantly on the lookout for some new sensation, and to be diverted, amused, or even horrified, seems the very object of their existence. I am quite sure that all this class of persons would have abundant opportunity for the display of their morbid sensational faculties if they would only emigrate to Peru, for I am sure there is no other foreign country so constantly unquiet and disturbed. Earthquakes and revolutions, Spanish bombardments and invasions, yellow fever, and nightly raids by robbers and brigands, all tend to keep alive the popular excitement. About two years since Callao was bombarded by the Spaniards. The Spanish Admiral threatened Callao, and took the Chincha Islands. Thither an agent of the Peruvian Government was sent to arrange terms of peace, and Spain, through the Admiral, agreed to give up the contest for thirty millions of dollars. But subsequently the Peruvian Government repudiated the debt, and Chili and Callao were bombarded. Peru, however, defended her interests bravely, and at Callao the Spaniards were whipped on the 2d of May, and retired discomfited. But a rumor has been gaining credence here that the Spaniards were soon to return and commence further hostilities, and it seems that there must be something in the report beyond mere rumor, for the Government is strengthening and building new fortifications, and have issued an order for 500 more men to work upon the defences and finish the already formidable forts, &c. If the Spaniards do come again they are certain to meet with a still warmer reception.

CRIME.

Callao is greatly annoyed by a gang of thieves and robbers. This band of marauders is said to number about fifty, and the worst fact of all is that nearly all the gang are foreigners. They have already made several nightly raids in different portions of the city, and so large is their force, and so strong in numbers, that they have easily overpowered the serenos, (or night watchmen,) taking from them their muskets. (All the Police carry muskets by day as well as at night.) They have in one night taken from a large pulperia (or grocery and liquor store) 2,000 soles, by compelling the owner of the place to pay them all the money he had in the house under penalty of death; and they are not any respecter of persons, for the same night they visited the house of a priest, and compelled him to give them 500 soles. Every shop and store on the Plaza has been visited by them in a single night's raid, and they are justly a terror to all classes and people unfortunate enough to live in Callao. This is another source of excitement.

RAILROAD BUILDING.

I mentioned in a previous letter the contract between the Peruvian Government and Mr. HARRY MEIGS, for a railroad from Mejia to Arequipa. The road was to be completed in three years, and every month that he saved within the three years, Mr. MEIGS was to be paid 20,000 soles a month. But there will probably never be constructed a more difficult road, and there cannot be found a more inaccessible spot to build. Competent engineers who are already at work upon this new road, and who have built some of the most difficult roads in Mexico, pronounce this new route a very trying one, and far more formidable than any in Mexico. The whole Southern Pacific coast presents one long rugged line of barren mountain, devoid of all vegetation, and occasionally diversified by some little inlet leading into a fertile and grassy hollow. Mejia is one of those green verdant oases, with fresh water and foliage. From this place the road was contracted to be built inland from the coast one hundred miles. But into this small inlet the whole force of the waves of the Pacific seem to roll and break with such terrible fury that ships cannot venture near enough to unload the sleepers necessary to begin the road. Indeed, ships cannot lie there at all in some months of the year. There seems, then, no other place but to begin the road at Islay, twelve miles down the coast. But here another formidable obstacle opposes. Here the solid barren cliff rises in an almost straight wall, and all the materials necessary for constructing this end of the road would have to be drawn up the steep sides of the mountain. So that the beginning of the road inland from the coast, if located at either Mejia or Islay, will be an undertaking quite enough to discourage many a contractor not possessed of indomitable perseverance and energy. But Mr. MEIGS does not lack these requisite qualifications. The long sandy desert from Mejia to Arequipa, has but one station or hacienda, in all the hundred miles. This hotel, lodging house and general accommodation, has indulged in a scale of prices which has rendered it a terror to all travelers; but the poor, weary guest has been obliged to submit and stand any extortion, glad even of a place to rest. Perhaps the prices would not seem so very extravagant, when it is taken into consideration that nothing can grow in the deep arid sand, and that all eatables and drinkables must be packed on mules and brought to the hacienda, fifty miles. A bottle of water costs a rial (ten cents,) a beefsteak costs fifty cents, a loaf of bread thirty cents, &c., &c. The steaks seem to be cut from the neck of some defunct mule, and all the refreshments are of a very inferior order. From this hacienda, in the very centre and heart of the dry desert, have the engineers begun to construct the new road. Three hundred mules have been purchased by Mr. MEIGS for carrying water alone, and these mules are kept going night and day the fifty miles for water, and still other mules for provisions. The men go in small squads to the different points along the route when they are at work, and the contractors find it almost an impossibility to find the provisions necessary to feed them. Every article needed must be packed on mules, and brought to them fifty long miles of sandy arid desert. But even a vivid description would give but a faint idea of the difficulty attending the construction of a railroad in Peru.

THE FEVER.

The fever is subsiding in Lima, but raging so fearfully at Islay that communication with the interior is strictly prohibited. The public concert rooms, amusements and theatres are not yet opened, and the place still wears a sombre aspect. Two very distinguished citizens, M. EDMUND LESSEPS, French Minister to Peru, and Dr. TORIBIO PACHECO, a very eminent savant, statesman and writer, have died of the prevailing epidemic, and many of the wealthiest residents of Lima have also fallen victims to the fever. The feast day of Corpus Christi was celebrated, May 11, with more than usual brilliancy. Beyond these few incidents there is nothing more to communicate from this Republic. X. Y. Z.

NATIONAL POLITICS.

The Vote for President in 1864.

In 1864 the total votes of the several States for President were as follows, the majorities being all for LINCOLN, except in Delaware, Kentucky and New-Jersey:

States.	Lincoln, Rep.	M'Clellan, Dem.	Majorities.	Elect'l Votes.
California	62,134	43,841	18,293	5
Connecticut	44,691	42,285	2,406	6
Delaware	8,155	8,767	612	3
Illinois	189,496	158,730	30,765	16
Indiana	150,422	130,233	20,189	13
Iowa	89,075	49,596	39,479	8
Kansas	16,441	3,691	12,750	3
Kentucky	27,786	64,301	36,515	11
Maine	63,114	46,592	21,122	7
Maryland	40,153	32,739	7,414	7
Massachusetts	126,742	48,445	77,997	12
Michigan	91,521	74,954	16,917	8
Minnesota	25,060	17,375	7,685	4
Missouri	72,750	31,678	41,072	11
Nevada	9,826	6,594	3 232	3
New-Hampshire	36,400	32,871	3,529	5
New-Jersey	60,723	68,024	7,301	7
New-York	368,735	361,986	6,749	33
Ohio	265,154	205,568	59,586	21
Oregon	9,888	8,457	1,431	3
Pennsylvania	296,391	276,316	20,075	26
Rhode Island	14,349	8,718	5,631	4
Vermont	42,419	13,321	29,098	5
West Virginia	23,152	10,436	12,714	5
Wisconsin	83,458	65 884	17,574	8
Totals	2,223,035 1,811,754	1,811,754		
Majority	411,281			

The Latest Popular Vote in Each State.

The vote in each State, as cast at the last popular election, as far as it can at present be ascertained, is given in the following table:

STATES.	Republican Vote.	Democratic Vote.	Majorities.	
Alabama	70,812	1,005	69,807R	Const'n, 1868.
Arkansas	27,913	26,597	1,316R	Const'n, 1868.
California	41,524	44,969	3,445D	Lt.-Gov., 1867.
Connecticut	48,779	50,551	1,772D	Governor, 1868.
Delaware	8,298	9,810	1,512D	Governor, 1868.
Florida	14,520	9,491*	5,029R	Const'n, 1868.
Florida	14,170	1,144	4,626R	Governor, 1868.
Georgia	88,1 3	50,750	18,373R	Const'n, 1868.
Georgia	83,146	76, 99	7,047R	Governor, 1868.
Illinois	253,015	147,758	56,987R	Congress, 1866.
Indiana	150,309	130,509	19,800R	Sup. State, 1866.
Iowa	56,789	28,889	31,900R	Sup. Judge, 1867.
Kansas	19,370	8,151	11,219R	Governor, 1866.
Kentucky	33,939	103,392*	69,453D	Governor, 1867.
Louisiana	96,152	48,159	17,993R	Const'n, 1864.
Louisiana	64,901	41,614*	23,287R	Governor, 1868.
Maine	57,649	46,035	11,614R	Governor, 1867.
Maryland	21,890	53,602	41,712D	Governor, 1867.
Massachusetts	126,206	78,469	47,737R	Governor, 1867.
Michigan	85,819	55,385	24,954R	Sup. Judge, 1867.
Minnesota	34,870	29,043	5,827R	Governor, 1867.
Missouri	62,187	4,968	2,889R	Sup. Sch'p, 1866.
Nebraska	4,600	4,073	7 6R	Congress, 1866.
Nevada	5,47	4,295	75 R	Congress, 1866.
New-Hamp'e	39,778	37,280	2,518R	Governor, 1864.
New-Jersey	60,48	58,971	1,491R	Congress, 1866.
New-York	342,759	342,280	47,479R	Sec. State, 1867.
S. Carolina	83,084	74,015	19,069R	Const'n, 1868.
Ohio	243,6 5	240,922	2,953R	Governor, 1867.
Oregon	9,350	10,6 9*	1,301D	Congress, 1864.
Pennsylvania	296,391	276,316	20,075R	Sup. Judge, 1867.
Rhode Island	16,068	5 731	4,301R	Governor, 1868.
S. Carolina	70,153	27,388	43,470R	Const'n, 1868.
Tennessee	74,484	23,348	51,136R	Governor, 1867.
Texas	49,839	11,440	38,399R	Governor, 1867.
Vermont	31,604	11,510	20,184R	Governor, 1867.
Virginia	107,342	61,887	45 455R	Convent'n, 1867.
W. Virginia	23,802	17,158	6,644R	Governor, 1866.
Wisconsin	74,657	66,873	4,764R	Governor, 1867.

The vote of Mississippi has not yet been announced, but the Constitution is believed to be defeated by a very large vote. In Alabama, the Constitution received a majority of the votes cast, but not a majority of those registered. The Texas Convention is still in session.

*Including scattering and Independent votes.
†Estimated.

What Democratic Papers in the South and West Say of the Platform and the Candidates.

From the Louisville Democrat.

The financial plank in the platform so far accepts the views promulgated by Mr. PENDLETON, as to favor the payment of bonds not provided to be paid in gold in the lawful money of the country—a plan to which the country will consent. A fair interpretation of the contract of loan is all the Convention recommends, and if any bonds can lawfully be so converted, it ought to be done.

From the Wheeling (W. Va.) Register.

With the platform, which is all that the most enthusiastic friend of Mr. PENDLETON and of his financial views could desire, this ticket will be irresistible before the people.

From the Baltimore Gazette.

We ask attention to the letter of Gen. BLAIR, the Democratic candidate for the Vice-Presidency of the United States. The readers of the *Gazette* need not be told that this journal cordially assents to every line and syllable in it. For months past we have been promulgating the identical views which Gen. BLAIR has so tersely and clearly expressed, and it is to us a matter of general satisfaction that the National Convention has indorsed them.

From the Richmond Enquirer & Examiner.

The letter which GEN. BLAIR published a short time since, we commend to our readers as having the ring of true metal, and is the most fearless exposition of Democratic and Conservative principles which we have yet seen.

From the Milwaukee (Wis.) News.†

The problem which the enemies of the Democracy hoped would distract the New-York Convention is auspiciously solved, and on the vital issues of the times the friends of the Union and the Constitution are prepared to move forward in solid column. On the greenback question the language of the platform is both patriotic and clear, the entire Convention enthusiastically assenting to the declaration that there must be one currency for the creditors of the Government and the people, and that the debt, except so far as otherwise specified by statute, must be paid in that kind of money which Congress has declared to be "lawful money of the United States."

From the Chicago Times, July 8.

The platform says the reconstruction infamy is unconstitutional and void. It says the Five-twenty bonds ought to be redeemed in "greenbacks," and that the work of redemption ought to be commenced immediately. It says the tariff must be adjusted with a view to revenue simply. It says the internal revenue laws ought to be revised and simplified. It says the holders of national bonds ought to be taxed and made to bear their just proportion of the burdens of the Government. It says taxation ought to be equalized, so as to make wealth, instead of labor, raise the revenue. It says the question of suffrage is one belonging exclusively to the States; and that the General Government cannot exercise any control over it without usurpation of power.

From the Lynchburg Virginian.

GOV. SEYMOUR is a very able man, and would grace the Presidential chair. We will support him very cordially, but believe that, all things considered, a more available man might have been selected. Considering, however, his intellectual qualities, we might very well challenge the Radicals to "match him."

From the Chicago Times, July 10.

The platform on which the candidates are placed declares to what they are bound, and must be considered an exposition of their political principles. They are men of honor, and will redeem their pledges. The Democratic Party is too good a judge of men and of character to place its fortunes and those of the nation in the hands of men who will betray their trust. The voters of the United States may rest assured that SEYMOUR and BLAIR, if elected, will religiously enforce every principle and purpose to which they stand pledged in accepting the nomination. While we sincerely believe that the ticket nominated at New-York yesterday will be elected, and that the elections of last Fall and Spring warrant that belief, it is simply honest to concede that the Democratic Party must make large gains from the Republican ranks to achieve such a sweeping and decisive victory as will insure the complete triumph of Democratic policies in the next Administration. The Convention has not, by the nomination of Gov. SEYMOUR and the adoption of a thoroughly Democratic platform, intended any defiance of the Republican Party. It was an assemblage which did not act in a spirit of defiance, but of patriotism.

From the Detroit Free Press.

After twenty-one ballots, enough to give a fair chance for a free expression of the individual preferences of the delegates and of their States, and to

The Singers in Sing Sing—The Effect of Music upon the Prisoners.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I am confident that a few lines giving some account of the services in Sing Sing Prison on "the Fourth" will be of interest to the readers of the TIMES.

At 7 o'clock in the morning the male prisoners, to the number of nearly 1,400, were assembled in the chapel connected with the prison. In addition to this company of convicts, there were some 200 citizens seated at the further end of the hall. The Chaplain, Rev. J. B. SMITH, announced the order of exercises, as follows:

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MATTESON, of Sing Sing; duett, by Mrs. ROGERS and Miss FLORENCE A. RICE, of Brooklyn; address, by Rev. J. HYATT SMITH, of Brooklyn; duett, by Mr. and Mrs. BENEDICT, of Sing Sing; song, by Mrs. BENEDICT; song, by Mrs. ROGERS; duett, by Mrs. ROGERS and Miss RICE; duett, by two of the prisoners; song, by Miss RICE; "Star-spangled Banner," by entire assembly; benediction.

The address being the part assigned to the writer of this article, he will pass that without comment, simply saying that not one of the prisoners left during its delivery. Those 1,400 faces as seen from the platform were a study for a painter, as the sweet singers in succession filled that great hall with music. During the comic song by Mr. and Mrs. BENEDICT—admirably rendered—faces, saddened by sorrow, or hardened by crime, were all lighted up with mirth. When Mrs. ROGERS sang that plaintive song entitled "Birdie Looking Out for Me," many of the convicts bowed their heads, and wept like children. It was easy to find here and there in that strange audience one who had seen "Birdie," with its angel wings, flying heavenward from the home nest. But the full magic of music was manifest during the singing of "The Nightingale" and "The Mocking Bird" by Mrs. ROGERS and Miss RICE. The sweet liquid warbling of the one, and the mysterious, matchless notes of the other, completely overwhelmed the entire assembly. The singing of Miss RICE, with all its own peculiar wealth of tone, needs no comment from your correspondent. But it is questionable whether, when holding audiences of the refined and cultivated spellbound by her music, she ever attained a greater triumph than that day in Sing Sing Prison. She seemed to stand the very queen of melody, swaying with equal power her sceptre of song over all hearts, from the man hardly stained or shadowed with crime to him whose life was blackened and eclipsed with guilt. Those prisoners, I am sure, must be better men, from the effect of the musical sermons so sweetly preached on the morning of the Fourth.

J. H. S.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS FOR MONDAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Call of Calendar at 12 M.

Reserved Cases.

No.		No.	
15—	Duncan et al. vs. Hobbs et al.	112—	In re. Goosbeck vs. Sanford.
80—	Schuyler vs. Schonck.	123—	Stuart vs. Bk. vs. Cutter et. al.
76—	Christie vs. Haskell.		
92—	Tiffany et. al. vs. Reil et. al.	128—	Lawrence et al. vs. Southard.
101—	East River Natl. Bank vs. Carpenter et al.	129—	Bogart et al. vs. Southard.
106—	Monargue vs. Potter.	137—	Bingham &c., vs. Disbrow et. al.

Call No. 141—Ross et al. vs. Union Pac. R. R. Co.

The next Term of the Court of Appeals will be held in the New Court House, in the City of New-York, on Tuesday, Sept. 29.

SUPERIOR COURT—CHAMBERS.

Motions will be heard at 12 M.

A new calendar will be made up for the Superior Court for the October Term. Notice of issue giving the numbers on the present calendar must be filed before Aug. 1.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Held by Gross, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

No.		No.	
1730—	Kinner vs. Anglin.	1562—	Bonner vs. Harford.
1766—	Howe vs. Sommers.	1583—	Shields vs. Bass.
1638—	Quinn vs. Hastings.	1584—	Fach vs. Peekskill.
1679—	Peters vs. Hess.	1585—	Hurlburt vs. Del. Lk. & W. R. Co.
1840—	Fischer vs. Baner.		
———	O'Brien vs. Silverstein	1566—	Muller vs. Holden.
1687—	Greenfield vs. Mason.	1572—	Williams vs. Sturges.
———	Same vs. Same.	1525—	Dennin vs. Post.
1851—	Doyle vs. Clapp	1559—	Van Eyck vs. The M. I. Co.
1871—	Belling vs. Ryan.		
1831—	Miles vs. Church St. Anthony of Padua.	———	Pier vs. Cunningham.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

THE PUBLIC LANDS—AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT TO MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES—THE GOVERNMENT MILITARY SITE IN CALIFORNIA.

Emil Grisar vs. *Irwin McDowell.*—In error to the Circuit Court for the District of California. The nominal defendant in this case is Gen. McDowell, as commandant of the District of California, but the real party in interest is the United States.

Mr. Justice FIELD delivered the opinion of the Court, in substance as follows, having been abbreviated about one-half: The premises, for the possession of which this action is brought, are situated within the City of San Francisco, in the State of California. The plaintiff claims to be seized in fee of them, and derives his title from the City of San Francisco under an ordinance of the Common Council for the settlement of land titles in the city, passed on the 20th of June, 1855, commonly known as the "Van Ness ordinance," and the act of the Legislature of the State ratifying and confirming the same. The defendant is an officer in the army of the United States, commanding the military department of California, and as such officer entered upon the possession of the premises previous to the commencement of this action, and has ever since held them under the order of the Secretary of War, as part of the public property of the United States reserved for military purposes. At the time the ordinance named was passed, the City of San Francisco asserted title, as successor of a Mexican pueblo in existence on the acquisition of the country, to four square leagues of land, embracing the site of the present city, and had presented her claim for the same to the Board of Land Commissioners created under the act of March 3, 1851, and the Board had confirmed the claim to a portion of the land, including the premises in question, and rejected her claim for the residue. Dissatisfied with the limitation of her claim, the city prosecuted an appeal from the decision of the Board to the United States District Court, and this appeal was then pending and undetermined. By the second section of the ordinance, the city relinquished and granted all the title and claim which she thus held to the land within her corporate limits, as defined by the charter in 1851, with certain exceptions, to the parties in the actual possession thereof, by themselves or tenants, on or before the 1st of January, 1855, provided such possession was continued up to the time of the introduction of the ordinance into the Common Council, or if interrupted by an intruder or trespasser, had been or might be recovered by legal process. In March, 1858, the Legislature of the State ratified and confirmed this ordinance. The party through whom the plaintiff traces his title, was in such actual possession of the premises in controversy both at the time designated by the ordinance and also on the passage of the confirmatory act by the Legislature, and therefore acquired whatever right or title the city possessed; and he improved and built upon the premises, and erected a building thereon, which was occupied by the plaintiff as his residence when he was ousted by the defendant. On the other hand, the authorities of the United States, at the date of the ordinance, and long previous to that date, claimed the right to hold the premises as property of the United States, and as being a portion of a tract set apart for public purposes. As early as the 5th of November, 1850, President Fillmore made an order that certain parcels of land situated "on the Bay of San Francisco" should be exempted and reserved from sale for such purposes. Notice of this order was soon afterward communicated to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and in June following was transmitted by him to the Surveyor-General of the United States for California, in whose office it has ever since remained on file. On the 31st of December, 1851, this order was modified by the President in some particulars, and the first parcel reserved, or supposed to have been reserved by it, was divided into two separate tract's, each of which was described with precision. We do not deem it, therefore, of any consequence whether the description of the first parcel in the original order was defective and indefinite, as contended by counsel, or whether or not it included the premises in controversy. Nor is it of any consequence that the modification was made, as asserted, to avoid a possible contest with an adverse claimant to a portion of the original reservation. The reasons which may have governed the President cannot affect the validity of his action. He possessed the same authority in 1851 to modify the reservation of 1850, by enlarging or reducing it, that he possessed to make the reservation in the first instance. It is sufficient, in the view we take of this case, that one of the tracts described in the last order embraced the premises in controversy. The question presented for determination is, therefore, between the title of the City of San Francisco, as it existed on the 1st day of January, 1855, and the title on that day of the United States. By the laws of Mexico, which prevailed in California at the date of the conquest, pueblos or towns, when once established and officially recognized, were entitled, for their benefit and the benefit of their inhabitants, to the use of lands, embracing the site of such pueblos or towns, and of adjoining lands within certain prescribed limits. This right, as we observed in Townsend vs. Greely, (5 Wall, 336,) appears to have been common to the cities and towns of Spain from an early period in her history, and was recognized in the laws and ordinances for the settlement and government of her colonies on this continent. The same general system of laws for the establishment and government of pueblos, and the assignment to them of lands that prevailed under Spain, was continued in Mexico, with but little variation, after her separation from the mother country. These laws provided for the assignment to the pueblos, for their use and the use of their inhabitants, of land not exceeding in extent four square leagues. Such assignment was to be made by the public authorities of the Government upon the original establishment of the pueblo, or afterward upon the petition of its officers or inhabitants; and the land was to be measured off in a square or prolonged form, according to the nature and condition of the country. All lands within the general limits stated, which had previously become private property, or were required for public purposes, were reserved and excepted from the assignment. Until the lands were thus definitely assigned and measured off, the right or claim of the pueblo was an imperfect one. It was a right which the Government might refuse to recognize at all, or might recognize in a qualified form; it might be burdened with conditions, and it might be restricted to less limits than the four square leagues, which was the usual quantity assigned. Even after the assignment, the interest acquired by the pueblo was far from being an indefeasible estate such as is known to our laws. The purposes to be accomplished by the creation of pueblos did not require their possession of the fee. The interest, as we had occasion to observe in the case already cited, amounted to little more than a restricted and qualified right to alienate portions of the land to its inhabitants for building or cultivation, and to use the remainder for commons, for pasture lands, or as a source of revenue, or for other public purposes. And this limited right of disposition and use was in all particulars subject to the control of the Government of the country. It is not pretended that any assignment of lands was ever made to the pueblo of San Francisco under the former Government. Her claim or right to any lands being therefore an imperfect one, required the recognition and action of the new Government before it could be turned into an absolute and indefeasible estate. Nor did it any the less require such recognition and action by reason of the presumption raised by the 14th section of the act of Nov. 3, 1857, of a grant of land to a city, town or village, which was proved to have been in existence on the 7th of July, 1846. That section does not specify the extent of the grant which, for the purpose of determining the claim of the lot holders, and of the city, was to be presumed to have been made; nor does it furnish any measure by which the limits of such grant could be fixed. The claim of the city had, therefore, as the law then stood, to undergo judicial investigation before the Board of Land Commissioners created under the act of March 3, 1851, and to depend for its validity and extent upon the determination of the Board, and of the tribunals of the United States to which it could be carried. The authorities of the city so regarded the claim, and by their direction it was presented to the Board in July, 1852. In December, 1854, the Board confirmed the claim, as we have already stated, to a portion of the four square leagues, embracing the premises in suit, and rejected it for the residue. From the decision an appeal was taken by the filing of a transcript of the proceedings and decision of the Board with the Clerk of the District Court. The appeal was by statute for the benefit of the party against whom the decision was rendered; in this case of both parties—of the United States, which contested the entire claim, and of the city, which asserted a claim to a greater quantity than that confirmed—and both parties gave notice of their intention to prosecute the appeal. Subsequently, in February, 1857, the Attorney-General withdrew the appeal on the part of the United States, and in March following the District Court, upon the stipulation of the District Attorney, ordered that appeal to be dismissed, and gave leave to the city to proceed upon the decree of the Board as upon a final decree. The counsel of the plaintiff contend that this decree closed the controversy between the city and the United States, as to the lands in which the claim was confirmed. But in this view they are mistaken. Had the city accepted the leave granted, withdrawn her appeal, and proceeded under the decree as final, such result would have followed. But this course she declined to take. She continued the appeal for the residue of her claim to the four square leagues. This kept open the whole issue with the United States.

[This point is discussed at considerable length, and it is then said:]

But there is another and conclusive answer to the objection of the admissibility of the decree. By the action to Congress it had become, with some modifications, final. On the 8th of March, 1866, which was previous to the trial of this action, Congress passed an act to "quiet the title to certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of San Francisco." (Stat. of 1865-6, p. 4.) By this act all the right and title of the United States to the land situated within the corporate limits of San Francisco, confirmed to the city by the decree of the Circuit Court, were relinquished and granted to the city, and the claim of the city was confirmed, subject, however, to the reservations and exceptions designated in the decree, and upon the trust that all the lands not previously granted to the city, should be disposed of and conveyed by the city to parties in the *bona fide* actual possession thereof, by themselves or tenants, on the passage of the act, in such quantities and upon such terms and conditions as the Legislature of the State of California might prescribe, except such parcels thereof as might be reserved and set apart by ordinance of the city for public uses. By this act the Government has expressed its precise will with respect to the claim of the City of San Francisco to her lands, as it was then recognized by the Circuit Court of the United States. In the execution of its treaty obligations with respect to property claimed under Mexican laws, the Government may adopt such modes of procedure as it may deem expedient. It may act by legislation directly upon the claims preferred, or it may provide a special Board for their determination, or it may require their submission to the ordinary tribunals. It is the sole judge of the propriety of the mode, and having the plenary power of confirmation, it may annex any conditions to the confirmations of a claim resting upon an imperfect right, which it may choose. It may declare the action of the Special Board final; it may make it subject to appeal; it may require the appeal to go through one or more courts, and it may arrest the action of boards or courts at any stage. The act of March 3, 1851, is a general act applying to all cases, but the act of March 8, 1866, referring specially to the confirmation of the claim to lands in San Francisco, withdrew that claim, as it then stood, from further consideration of the courts under the provisions of the general act. It disposed of the city claim, and determined the conditions upon which it should be recognized and confirmed. The title of the city, therefore, rests upon the decree of the Circuit Court, as modified by the act of Congress. The subsequent dismissal of the appeal, referred to in the case of Townsend vs. Greely, (5 Wall, 337,) though made upon consent of parties, necessarily followed. The decree thus modified excepts from confirmation to the city, as we have already observed, such parcels of land as had been previously "reserved or dedicated to public uses by the United States." By the parcels thus named, reference is had to the tracts reserved by the order of President Fillmore. One of these tracts, as we have said, contains the premises in controversy. The decree, therefore, settles the title to them against the plaintiff. Whoever obtained conveyances from the city, or asserted title, under the Van Ness ordinance, while the claim of the city to the land thus conveyed or to which title was thus asserted was pending before the tribunals of the United States, necessarily took whatever they acquired subject to the final determination of the claim. Their title stood or fell with the claim, for the decree took effect by relation as of the day when the petition of the city was presented to the Board of Land Commissioners. It is to be treated in legal effect as if entered on that day. (Landes vs. Brant, 10 How. 373.) It only remains to notice the objection taken to the authority of the President to make the reservations in question. The objection is twofold—first, that the lands reserved did not constitute any part of the public domain, but were the property of the city, and were not therefore the subject of appropriation, by order of the President, for public purposes; and second, if they did constitute a part of the public domain, they could only be reserved from sale and set apart for public purposes under the direct sanction of an act of Congress.

[The Court take the view that if the first objection referred to is sound, then the authority of the President to make the reservations is of no consequence. It is enough that the title had not passed to the plaintiff, but remained in the United States. The history and laws of the country are here cited to show that the authority of the President in the premises is recognized, and it is then said:]

The action of the President in making the reservations in question was indirectly approved by the legislation of Congress in appropriating moneys for the construction of fortifications and other public works upon them. The reservations made at the same time embraced seven distinct tracts of land, and upon several of them extensive and costly fortifications and barracks and other public buildings have been erected. But it is sufficient, as we have already said, that the lands remained the property of the United States, whether or not they were by sufficient authority appropriated to public uses.

Judgment affirmed.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Russel.

The work of the brief July Term of the Court of General Sessions concluded on Friday last is shown in the following summary:

Sentenced—To State Prison, for five years, 3; four years, 1; three years, 2; two years and six months, 8; two years, 2; total to State Prison, 18. To the Penitentiary—Two years and six months, 1; two years, 1; one year, 1; six months, 5; three months, 3; total to Penitentiary, 11. To the House of Refuge, 8. Discharged under suspended sentence, 2. Acquitted, 23. Total number of trials, 42.

Mr. Gunning S. Bedford, Jr., Assistant District-Attorney, conducted the prosecutions.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JULY 11, 1868

$10,000	U. S. 5-20s. C., '65	111¾	
2,000	U. S. 5-20s. C., '65 New	108¾	
15,000	U. S. 5-20s. C., '67	107¾	
5,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40s, C.	107⅝	
100,000	do	107⅝	
50,030	Tr. Not., 7 3-10s, 3d series	108¾	
20,000	U. S. 5-20s, C., '67	108⅝	
50,000	do	b3 108⅝	
10,000	Tenn. St. 6s, x-c.	71¾	
10,000	do	71¾	
25,000	Tenn. St. 6s, new.	70¾	
5,000	do	70¾	
100,000	do bet. call	70½	
3,000	Ga. St. 6s	84	
10,000	do 3d call	84	
5,000	Ga. R. 7s	93¾	
15,000	N. Car. 6s. new.	74¾	
580	do 2d call	74¾	
2,000	N. Car. 6s. x-c. 2d call	75¼	
36,000	Missouri 6s	91¼	
2,000	do	91¾	
9,000	M. 6s, H. & St. J. Issue	91½	
2,000	Chi. & N. W. Con. Conv. Bs	94½	
500	Alt. & T. H. 1st M.	95	
1,000	do	94	
1,000	do	93¾	
2,000	Tol. & W. 2d M.	82	
2,000	G. W. 2d M.	76	

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

200	Adams Ex.	54	
300	Pacific Mail	10¾	
100	N. Y. Cen. R.	134⅛	
100	do	s5 134⅜	
500	do	134⅜	
100	do	s4 134⅜	
100	do	b3 134⅜	
200	Erie R.	40⅝	
1500	do	40¾	
100	do	b3 40¾	
400	Reading R.	97⅛	
200	P., Ft. W. & C. R	108½	
500	Chi. & N. W. Pf.	81½	
2,000	Mil. & St. P., 1st M bet. call	93	
3,000	W. U. Tel. 7s. bds.	88	
5,000	C. & G. E 1st	79	
57	Irving Bank	103¼	
30	Fourth National	108½	
20	Ninth National	107½	
10	Met. Bank	128½	
100	Am. Ex. Bank	121	
400	West. U. Tel	34⅞	
300	do	34⅝	
100	Quick. Min.	22	
100	Rock. W. P.	16	
500	Adams Ex.	54	
200	U. S. Ex.	48¼	
200	Reading R.	97⅜	
500	do	97¼	
400	Cleve. & Pitts.	86¾	
400	do	86	
200	do	86⅛	
400	do	86⅜	
200	Chi. R. I. & P.	107¾	
800	do	s10 107¾	
100	do	s15 107¾	
100	Chi. & N. W.	78¾	
500	do	78¾	
600	do	78¾	
200	do	78	
900	Ch. & N. W. Pf.	80¼	
100	do	80¾	

MONDAY, July 13—A. M.

The weekly averages of the Associated Local and National Banks in the Clearing House of this City, for the week ending Saturday last, July 11, compare as follows with the previous week, and with the corresponding week last year; to which we add the specie and currency balances in the New-York office of the United States Treasury at these dates, respectively:

Increase in Loans	$2,201,777
Increase in Specie	1,280,618
Decrease in other Legal Tenders	3,594,397
Increase in Deposits	3,269,335
Increase in Circulation	35,736

	July 13, 1867.	July 11, 1868.	July 4, 1868.
National Cap'l	$73,457,700	$73,457,700	$73,457,700
Local Capital	9,062,500	9,962,500	9,962,500
Total Capital	$82,520,200	$83,420,200	$83,420,200
Loans	247,913,009	284,147,708	281,945,931
Gold and Gold Notes	12,715,400	19,235,348	11,954,730
Other L. Tend'r	72,495,708	68,531,542	72,125,939
Deposits	221,872,063	224,320,141	221,050,806
Circulation	30,653,869	34,068,202	34,032,466
In Sub-Treas'y	136,581,603	83,310,743	83,425,934

The Bank Statement published to-day exhibits the following relative strength of the movement, in the point of lawful Money Security, to the previous Statement. The Banks owed:

	July 4.	July 11.	July 13, 1867.
On deposits	$221,050,806	$224,320,141	$197,872,063
Circulation	34,032,466	34,068,202	33,653,869
Total	$255,83,272	$258,3 ,43	$231,525,932
25 ₱ cent. would be	$63,770,818	$64,597,085	$57,881,483
They held: In Gold and Greenbacks	84,080,669	87,766,890	86,211,108
Excess	$20,309,851	$23,169,805	$27,329,625

The Banks gain large in Gold on the present return from the Sub-Treasury disbursements for interest and principal of the Public Debt. They lose about three and a half million in Greenbacks, partly to the Treasury Office and partly from the previous week's remittances to the Banks of the neighboring cities and in numerous small payments for July Dividends. The lawful money basis, in Gold and Greenbanks together, is stronger by nearly three millions than last Monday, the present excess over 25 ₱ cent. on Deposits and Circulation being $23,169,805. The Loans are again increased about two and a quarter millions, raising the present line to $284,147,000 as against $247,913,000 this time last year. As the rule of the Street, Money has advanced about 1 ₱ cent. since last Monday, but the market on Saturday left off easy on Government Collateral at 3@4 ₱ cent., on Gold 4 ₱ cent. and on State and Railway Collateral 4@5 ₱ cent. The price of Gold advanced, at the close of the week ¼ ₱ cent. over the last price of July 3; influenced by the continued large Export, and the confidence of buyers on speculation that this movement will continue for some weeks to come, and that owing to the heavy July disbursements of the Government for Interest and Principal of the Public Debt and the probable easy passage of the Alaska appropriation of $7,200,000, the Treasury cannot afford to be a large seller. In regard to this last point we have no information as to the views or purpose of the Secretary of the Treasury, but notice a disposition in both Houses of Congress to have him lessen his Gold surplus by applying part of it to the gradual sinking of the Principal of the Public Debt.

In the early part of the week the Tammany Convention created a pause in general business, and also momentarily affected, adversely, the Public Funds, but this feeling passed away with the tame result and final adjournment of the Convention, and Trade, particularly in the line of Domestic and Foreign Dry Goods, showed some improvement at the close of the week, and the Public Funds decided firmness, though as yet without a renewal of speculative activity. The Railway market, as noticed below, was agitated by the discovery of a series of forgeries or alterations from small to large denominations in the Certificates of Stock of the Fort Wayne and other prominent Roads. The preparations for this fraud, according to our latest information, seem to have embraced about forty-seven certificates of one, two, five or ten shares each, known, or supposed to have been deliberately procured through and in the names of three or four leading Stock firms, from the Transfer Offices of the Fort Wayne, New-York Central, Michigan Southern, Cleveland and Pittsburg and Pacific Mail Companies. And they also contemplated, as far as the rogues could procure small certificates, of old date, (the transfers being closed,) of the Erie and Rock Island Roads. It is questionable, how far these preparations were successfully carried out, as on or about the time of the first intimation from the Fort Wayne Office—on the closing of transfers for the July Dividend—that the fraud had been detected, the bogus New-York Street firm of "White & Co.," and also one "H. Hoyt," disappeared from the Street, even more suddenly and mysteriously than they had appeared some weeks before. Of the whole number of Certificates, supposed to have been arranged for the fraud, according to the following list, only seven had been presented, up to Saturday, at the different Transfer Offices in an altered shape:

PACIFIC MAIL COMPANY.

MESSRS. VERMILYE & Co. report, as taken out in their name, for five shares each, Certificates Nos. 31,635 to 31,639, about June 23; one of these known to be altered to 100 shares.

MICHIGAN SOUTHERN COMPANY.

MESSRS. VERMILYE & Co. report, as in their name, one share each, Certificates Nos. 22,259 to 22,263, June 23; No. 22,264, for two shares, same date, and No. 22,265, same date, for three shares; since presented at the Transfer Office as for 100 shares.

MESSRS. LOCKWOOD & Co. report, as in their name, Nos. 22,266 to 22,270, for one share each; No. 22,271, for two shares, and No. 22,272, for three shares; all about June 22; one of these presented as for 100 shares.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL COMPANY.

MESSRS. LOCKWOOD & Co. report, as in their name, June 11, Nos. 68,732 to 68,737, for one share each; Nos. 68,738 and 68,739, for two hsares each.

FORT WAYNE COMPANY.

MESSRS. ROBINSON, COX & Co. report, as in their name, June 25, five shares each, Nos. 20,448 to 20,-457 inclusive. [Although these bear the latest date, they were the first to be detected from the circumstance that five days after their date, the transfers closed for the July Dividend, and three of the five Certificates, altered from 5 to 100 shares, were presented for transfer into the names of the actual holders.]

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURG COMPANY.

It is reported that ten Certificates of 10 shares each, Nos. 1,779 to 1,788, were taken out June 26 in the name of Messrs. GELSTON & BUSSING.

In addition to the above, Messrs. E. S. MUNROE & Co. have issued a notice to the following effect:

"We sold in our office some three weeks since the following certificates, receiving bank bills for the same. Part of the Erie was sold back to us:

Chicago and Rock Island certificates delivered by us—No. 164, twenty shares; No. 4,096, twenty shares; No. 2,070, ten shares. Say fifty shares. Neither of these numbers has come back to us.

Erie Railway—No. 12,683, ten shares; No. 49,079, ten shares; No. 800, ten shares; No. 865, one share; No. 60,091, one share; No. 1,472, one share; No. 862, three shares; No. 47,476, two shares; No. 43,905, ten shares; No. 164, 4,606, ten shares, No. 12,874, ten shares.

Of these the following came back to us from A. H. NICOLAY, precisely as we uttered them, viz.: No. 800, ten shares; No. 865, one share; No. 12672, one share; No. 862, three shares. Say fifteen shares."

The Import Entries for the past week, including the Dry Goods return in our last paper, amount to $4,963,244, against the total entries of $5,412,576 same week last year. The Export Clearances of Domestic Produce amount to $2,452,598, against $3,075,579 same week last year. The Export of Specie amounts to $3,947,-891, against $4,659,935 same week last year. The Customs of the week are $1,809,000. The receipts of Cotton, coastwise and by railroad, are 5,067 bales. The number of emigrant passengers arrived during the week, 4,665.

The Fiscal Year 1867-68 having closed on 30th June ult., we now make our weekly summary of the Foreign Trade and Specie movements, at the port of New-York, as from the beginning of the Calendar year 1868:

The Gold values of the Import entries of Foreign Merchandise, at New-York, since Jan. 1, 1868, are as follows, the figures being official to June 1, and since semi-official from the Custom House—the entries of Foreign Specie being omitted:

January	$15,281,997	May	$21,673,054
February	20,402,462	June	*19,993,113
March	23,213,389	July	2,956,611
April	21,367,8.5	July 11	4,963,244
Total since Jan 1, 1868			$131,284,866
Against same time 1867			144,413,565
Decrease since Jan. 1			$13,128,699

*Unofficial.

The Currency value of the Exports of Domestic Produce and Miscellaneous Goods from New-York, since Jan. 1, 1868, are as follows:

January	$14,448,327	May	$15,333,559
February	14,021,586	June	*13,383,031
March	13,561,450	July 8	2,452,598
April	17,739,210		
Total since Jan. 1, 1868			$90,941,760
Against same time 1867			102,364,172
Decrease since Jan. 1			$11,412,352

*Unofficial.

The Exports of Specie of all descriptions from New-York, since Jan. 1, 1868, are as follows:

January	$7,349,825	May	$15,936,231
February	4,003,820	June	*11,777,336
March	3,624,912	July 4	2,373,657
April	6,096,179	July 11	3,947,891
Total since Jan. 1, 1868			$55,378,860
Against same time 1867			30,464,569
Increase since Jan. 1			$24,414,291

*Unofficial.

The deliveries of California Gold and Silver at New-York since Jan. 1, 1868, are as follows:

January	$3,071,419	May	$4,302,656
February	4,132,578	June	3,944,906
March	3,198,196	July 6	880,371
April	3,797,430		
Total since Jan. 1, 1868			$23,295,754
Against same time 1867			14,793,540
Increase since Jan. 1			$8,502,214

The following are the Customs Receipts in Gold, and the Interest paid on the Public Debt in Gold, at the New-York office of the United States Treasury since Jan. 1, 1868:

	Customs Received.		Gold Interest Paid.
January	$7,204,590	January	$16,816,501
February	9,735,125	February	1,880,086
March	11,336,954	March	3,109,558
April	10,249,419	April	276,099
May	10,609,176	May	17,053,276
June	8,506,087	June	1,779,749
July	908,000	July 1	2,938,000
July 11	1,809,000	July 11	4,229,000
Total	$69,457,362	Total	$54,077,367
To date, 1867	64,118,511	To date, 1864	38,993,829

COURSE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE FOR THE WEEK.

			July 11, '67.
American Gold Coin	140¾@141¼	141¾	139¼
Old U. S. 5-20s, 1862	113¾	113¾	111¾
Consolidated 5-20s	109@107⅝	110⅜	108
Seconds and Thirds, 5-20s		109@108⅝	107⅝
U. S. 5 cents. 10-40s	107	107⅛	102½
New-York Central	134⅞	135⅜	100⅞
Erie	40⅛	40⅜	71⅝
Rock Island	105¾	106	98¾
Michigan Southern	91¾	91¾	8 ⅞
Hudson River	136½	136⅝	10⅜
Northwestern	77⅝	78⅜	45¾
Fort Wayne and Chicago	108⅜	108⅝	101⅞
Cleveland and Pittsburg	87	88	91¾
Reading	97¾	98	104¾
Northwestern Preferred	80¾	82½	68¾
Ohio and Mississippi	30	30@29	26¾
Pacific Mail	99@102¾	103⅛	143¾
Western Union Telegraph	34⅝	34¾	43¾
St. Paul Preferred	78¾	79¾	63¾
St. Paul Common	46¾	47	46¾

The sales of Gold advanced to 141⅛@141¼ ₱ cent. Saturday, influenced by a larger shipment by the European steamers of the day than was calculated upon. The total export of the day was $1,648,768; making for the whole week $3,947,891. The Treasury Office during the week paid out $4,020,000 on Gold Interest on the Public Debt, and received $1,-809,000 in gold for Customs. The Banks gain on their Specie averages of the week $7,280,000—the previous average being a rising one—and they lose $3,574,000 in Greenbacks. Their general line of Deposits is up $3,269,000, and their Loans are $2,201,000 higher than last Monday. The quotation for Gold closed 141¼, and Bills on London 110⅝ for 60 days and 110¾ short sight. Twenty dollar Gold pieces (Double Eagles) are worth 1/16@3-16 of one ₱ cent. for export. Money in easy supply at 4@5 ₱ cent., with exceptions late in the day at 3 ₱ cent. ₱ annum.

The rumors of Friday in regard to further forgeries or alterations of Railway Stock Companies, took definite form on the discovery of at least one successful forgery on the Pacific Mail Company, the Certificate altered from 10 to 100 shares; two on the Michigan Southern, altered from 1 to 100 shares one on the Rock Island, an old 20 shares' Certificate recently altered to 100 shares, and one on the Erie Company, also an old 10 shares' Certificate, altered to 100 shares. As the transfer books of the Rock Island and the Erie Companies have been closed for many months past, the rogue or rogues, in this affair, seem to have taken their chances upon old Certificates, not originally of their own procuring. In the Fort Wayne, Pacific Mail, Michigan Southern and, (it is suspected,) in New-York Central, and Cleveland and Pittsburg, they cunningly provided themselves, by purchase, though well-known Brokers, with a number of one, five or ten share Certificates, taken out in the names of the Brokers, with design to this fraud. Thus far, 900 shares on different Companies have been certainly ascertained as fraudulent, 300 of which on the Fort Wayne were admitted to retransfer before the alteration was discovered; the loss, of course, falling upon the Company. The additional discoveries on other Companies were made to depress the general Railway market, and about one o'clock there was quite a rush to sell down the entire list of New-York and Western Roads, also the Pacific Mail. This being somewhat overdone, there was a subsequent recovery from the lowest figures, but near the close of the Long Room, (3:30 P. M. on Saturdays,) the market again became weak, and closed as below. The Public Funds, on the other hand, left off firm, the 5-20s of 1867 108⅞ cent. bid, and some of the State Bonds, like Tennessees and North Carolinas, were higher than on Friday.

	Fri.	Sat.		Fri.	Sat.
U. S. 10-40s	107¾	107⅝	Virginia 6s	57½	57½
U. S. 5-20s, 1862	113¾	113¾	Missouri	91¾	91¾
U. S. Con. 5-20s	108⅝	108⅞	Tennessee	78⅜	78¾
N. Y. Central	134⅞	135⅜	N. West Frei	84	84⅜
Erie	40⅛	40⅜	Rock Island	105¾	106
Hudson	139	138½	Fort Wayne	10-3	107⅜
Reading	97¾	98½	W. U. Telegraph	34⅜	34⅝
Mich. Southern	92	91	St. Paul Pref	79⅜	79¾
Ohio and Miss	29¾	29	St. Paul Com	47¼	47⅜
Pittsburgh	87⅝	88½	Pacific Mail	102¾	103¼
Toledo	103⅝	103¾	American Gold	140¾	141⅜
Iron 6s, new	70	70½	Bills on London	110⅝	110¾

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent. reg. 1881	113¾	5-20 coup., 1868	108⅝
6 ₱ c. 1881	113¾	Oregon W. L., 1 yr. '81	109¾
5-20 reg., 1862	109¾	5 ₱ ct. coup., 1871	107¾
5-20 coup. & 1,000, 1862	113¾	5 ₱ ct. end. coup., 1871	122
5-20 reg., 1864	109	10-40 reg.	107
5-20 coup. & 1,000, 1864	111¾	10-40 coup. & 1,000	107¾
5-20 coup. & 1,000, 1865	111¾	7 3-10 2d series	108⅜
5-20 coup., 1865, new issue	108¾	7 3-10 3d series	108¾
5-20 coup., 1867	108¾		

And the following for the State Bonds:

N. Y. Res B'y L.	108¼	Michigan 6 ₱ c., 1873	95
N. Y. coup. B'y Loan	108¾	Michigan 5 ₱ c., 1883	92¼
N. Y. 7 ₱ c. Canal, 1870	102½	Tennessee 6 ₱ c., ex c.	71¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The London newspapers comment upon the action of the National Democratic Convention. Their views are unfavorable to the success of the ticket.

The Prussian Government, in consideration of the recently ratified Naturalization Treaty with the United States, have stayed all prosecutions against the adopted citizens of German birth. Prisoners are to be released at once.

A contest for an international prize, which occurred between English, American and foreign reaping machines, in Berlin, Saturday, resulted in the victory of the former.

The Spanish Generals recently arrested in Madrid for political causes have been banished to the Canary Islands. The Duke DE MONTPENSIER has been arrested and sent beyond the frontier.

ISMAEL PACHA, Viceroy of Egypt, has married ABDUL MEDJID'S daughter.

The United States screw steamship *Swatara* is at Antwerp.

The steamship *Bremen*, from Bremen June 27 and Southampton June 30, arrived at this port late Saturday night. The *Minnesota*, from Liverpool June 30 and Queenstown July 1, reached her dock yesterday.

CONGRESS.

A bill passed the Senate Saturday authorizing the registering of fifteen Canadian-built vessels, now plying on the Lakes, owned by American citizens, upon payment of a specified tax. A bill was passed providing the manner of filling vacancies in the staff of the Freedmen's Bureau. The bill to fund the national debt and providing for the conversion of United States notes was taken up. The question was upon Mr. SHERMAN'S amendment, which provides for the issue of twenty, thirty and forty-year bonds, bearing interest respectively at five, four and a half, and four per cent. per annum, to be exempt from all taxation in any form, said bonds to be exclusively used for the redemption or purchase of an equal amount of any of the present interest-bearing debt of the United States other than the existing five per cent. bonds and three per cent. certificates, to be issued to any amount sufficient to cover the principal of all outstanding obligations, with the exceptions above named. It also sets aside $100,000,000 of the customs receipts annually for the payment of interest and reduction of the principal of the national indebtedness, and legalizes contracts specifically made in coin. Mr. SHERMAN addressed the Senate at length in favor of his amendment, and was followed by Mr. SUMNER in opposition to any appearance of repudiation. The Senate then went into Executive Session.

Bills were passed in the House authorizing the construction of bridges over the Missouri River at Fort Leavenworth and St. Joseph. The bill providing for the reduction of the army was then taken up. After considerable discussions, amendments were agreed to, reducing the number of Major-Generals to three after the 31st of March, 1869, and the number of Brigadier-Generals to six. These to be selected by the President. The bill reducing the number of officers in the various departments was discussed at length, but the debate was not concluded. The bill proposes to reduce the entire army to a force of 25,000 men. The Electoral College bill was reported from the Committee on Reconstruction with amendments, and after an exciting debate was passed, and the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

Rev. Dr. MCQUAID, late President of Seaton Hall College, Orange, N. J., was yesterday consecrated Catholic Bishop of Rochester, by Archbishop MCCLOSKEY. The ceremony, which was a most impressive one, was celebrated at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Prince-street.

The death of Commander JAMES F. MILLER, of the United States Navy, is announced.

In Knoxville, Tenn., Friday evening, an altercation between Col. H. M. ASHBY, late of the Confederate army, and P. C. CAMP, terminated in the shooting and killing of the former.

A bill was introduced in the Louisiana Legislature, Friday, prohibiting any distinction whatever on account of race, color, or previous condition, on any public conveyance or place of business where a license is required, under the penalty of $500 fine or imprisonment for one year.

A very large ratification meeting of Democrats was held Saturday evening in Philadelphia. The names of twelve or fifteen prominent Democrats and delegates to the late Convention were announced to speak, but none of these appeared. To the evident disappointment of the crowd, the speaking was confined to local ward politicians, except Gov. SWANN, of Maryland, and DENNIS MAHONEY, of Iowa, who was introduced as having been an inmate of the the Old Capitol Prison. Gen. BLAIR did not make his appearance.

A Conservative ratification meeting was held in Richmond, Va., Saturday night. Gov. VANCE and Gov. WISE were the speakers.

The San Francisco *Bulletin's* semi-annual review of the trade and commerce of San Francisco, for the six months ending June 15, shows that thirty and a half millions of tonnage entered the port during the period, two-fifths of which was foreign trade. The value of foreign imports for the same time was about $8,000,000 in gold, and the estimated currency value of free goods received by the Panama steamers, $22,500,000; the value of merchandise exports since Jan. 1, $9,750,000, and coin and bullion, over $20,000,000. The internal revenue collection for the District of San Francisco was over $5,000,000. Since Jan. 1, 32,000 passengers have arrived there, two-thirds of whom stayed.

A dispatch says that at the balloon ascension, at Macon City, Mo., on the 4th, the balloon took fire and fell half a mile, lodging in the top of a tree. The aeronaut, Prof. YARD, who fell with it, was not seriously injured.

The Connecticut Legislature has voted to hold their sessions daily during the present week, to commence at 9, 3 and 7:30 o'clock.

Hon. GEORGE H. PENDLETON has signified his probable acceptance of an invitation to address the Democratic State Convention of West Virginia, at Grafton, on the 16th inst. Senator THURMAN, of Ohio, will also be there.

The following are the ruling rates for seamen at Savannah, Ga.: To Liverpool, able-bodied seamen receive $30 per month and $60 advance; to South America ranges the same; to British North America, $30 per month and a month's advance.

On Thursday evening last, during the services at a church in Lynchburg, Va., a young lady, Miss ANNIE WALLER, the adopted daughter of the late DANIEL I. WARWICK, was taken suddenly ill and died in a few minutes. She was subject to heart disease.

It is said that during the past eighteen months fifteen murders have been committed in Newbern, N. C., and its immediate vicinity, and that not a single one of the murderers has been hanged.

The Richmond *Whig* says: "It is fortunate for the South that there is more for her of hope than despair in Gen. GRANT'S nomination. The Radicals might have named a worse man. Nor is there any reason why, in doing all we can to help the Democratic ticket, we should speak with unjust or unseemly acrimony of GRANT.

Gen. BUCHANAN has decided that persons who were minors during the war, and aided the Confederate cause in any way, cannot take the "test oath." He says that by the word citizen in its broad sense is meant every one, man, woman or child, entitled to and enjoying the rights and subject to the duties of the people. The words "since I have been a citizen thereof" evidently applies to those who have been made such—naturalized citizens.

DAVID H. DEVOE, who was a prominent lawyer of Lyons, committed suicide by shooting himself in his own house on Friday afternoon. A few years ago he made some $60,000, the greater part of which he subsequently invested in silver mines. His money was soon gone, and at the time of his death he was $1,500 in debt. Depression of spirits, arising from the loss of his money, it is supposed, was the immediate cause of his taking his life.

Gov. VANCE spoke in Baltimore on Friday evening, while on his way to North Carolina from the New-York Convention. His report of the proceedings of the Convention were entirely satisfactory to the most ultra of the Baltimore Democrats.

The general markets closed, as a rule, tamely on Saturday. Cotton was steady. Flour, Wheat, Corn and Oats were cheaper. New Mess Pork, and good to prime Lard, dearer. The Freight market was rather firmer, on, however, a very moderate business, with 507 vessels of all classes in port.

The Pope's New Allocution—A Violent Assertion of Papal Power.

The Pope is getting on bad terms with all the Catholic Governments of Europe. In addition to his bitter quarrel with the Italian, or, as he contemptuously styles it, the Sub-Alpine Government, he is carrying his fury against the Austrian Government to such extremities as must result in the repudiation of all his pretensions.

We publish this morning the recent allocution of His Holiness against the Austrian Government.

In its dictatorial character, its haughty tone, its musty bigotry, it could not be surpassed by anything ever issued from Rome, even at the time when the Papal Power claimed supremacy over all the Kings and Governments of Europe.

In violent language the Pope reviews all the "abominable" measures adopted by the Reichsrath. This body, it appears, has even gone so far as to "establish free liberty for all opinions, liberty of the press, liberty of all faith, no matter what confession or doctrine; it grants to the members of every creed the right of establishing public schools and colleges, and members of every confession are allowed to be admitted on the same footing, with the sanction of the State." The Austrian Reichsrath has promulgated a law which suppresses all the influence of the Church over education, decreeing that the whole superior supervision of education, literature and science, as also the inspection of schools, appertains to the State, and that any religious society may open private or special schools for the youth of its faith. It admits and even confirms the form of marriage absolutely condemnable, called civil marriage; and it permits the bodies of heretics to be buried in Catholic cemeteries, if the heretics have no churchyards of their own. All these wicked and abominable laws have been sanctioned by the Austrian Government.

"Then," says the Pope, "in virtue of the care of all churches intrusted to us by the Lord Jesus Christ, we raise our voice; we reprove and we condemn by our apostolic authority the laws which we have enumerated, and everything, general or special, in those same laws. And in virtue of this same authority, which appertains to us, *we declare those decrees null and powerless* in themselves and in their effect, both as regards the present and the future." And he ends by warning both those who originated and those who attempt to execute these laws that they are liable to the penalties fulminated by the ecclesiastical canons against the enemies of the Church—which is considered as tantamount to an excommunication of the Austrian authorities.

This low and bitter assault of the Pope upon all those things which we in America are accustomed to regard as the very foundation stones of civil liberty, shows the determined antagonism of the Pope to liberal institutions. These maledictions against all those measures of freedom and reform which have been regarded by the Austrian people as the highest benefaction they ever received from their Government, are calculated to rouse the popular sentiment against the political interference of the Church of Rome. This extravagant, though powerless, attempt of PIUS IX. to overthrow the authority of the Austrian Government, has very naturally excited the hostility of that Government and compelled it to issue something like a declaration of independence of Rome. We learned by cable the other day that the Austrian Premier VON BEUST has written a sharp note in reply to this allocution, telling the Pope that his intermeddling with the domestic legislation of Austria is a violation of the independence and dignity of the Empire.

It is not in the power of the Austrian Emperor himself, much less in the power of the Pope, to annul these liberal and admirable laws of the Reichsrath. Were FRANCIS JOSEPH to attempt to reverse the current of freedom, now swelling gloriously in Austria, he would be driven from his throne in shorter time than it took to overthrow his armies at Sadowa. Austria is for the abolishment of despotism and the establishment of civil liberty, and not all the curses of Rome can alter the fact.

The President and the Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. JOHNSON'S proclamation, declaring the ratification by North Carolina of the Fourteenth Constitutional Amendment, is a characteristic illustration of the obstinacy and folly which have marked his proceedings on the reconstruction question.

The Omnibus Bill, recently enacted over his veto, makes it his duty to announce the ratification by any of the reconstructed States within ten days after receiving official information of the fact. Taking advantage of an absurd technical construction of the act, which, he says, "seems to be prospective," he limits his proclamation in this instance to North Carolina, and deliberately withholds its operation from Florida, because, forsooth, the report of its action reached the State Department nine days before the passing of the act!

The silliness which is apparent in this trick, shows itself also in the terms in which reference is made to the Governments and officials acting under the authority of Congress. Thus, the official copy of the Florida ratifying resolution is spoken of in the proclamation as "a paper purporting to be a resolution," and so forth. Gov. HOLDEN is credited with the transmission of "a paper," wherein he "writes himself Governor of the State of North Carolina." Mr. JOHNSON'S object seems to be to couch the inevitable allusions in the most contemptuous phraseology; indicating by a series of sneers his own low estimate of the validity of "papers" emanating from the new Governments, and his want of respect for the official authority existing under them. He knows that the competency of the Legislatures of Florida and North Carolina to act in the premises, and of the Governors who respectively certify the character of the resolutions sent, has been fully attested by Congress; and, therefore, that the Governments of these States are as much entitled to respectful mention at his hands as the Government of Maryland or Missouri. But even in this he prefers the gratification of spite to such a declaration as would indicate the gradual but sure success of a policy which he has done his utmost to defeat. He persisted in vetoing to the last, and since nothing else is available to him, he proves his obstinacy by making the discharge of a simple duty as insulting as possible.

Fortunately neither the authority of the new Governments nor the validity of the constitutional amendment is contingent on Mr. JOHNSON'S pleasure. His slurs and sneers are of no effect against the Congressional policy. His refusal to recognize the action of the Florida Legislature will not make it invalid, nor will any further manœuvering on his part prevent the final incorporation of the amendment as a properly sanctioned part of the Constitution. In a few days we may expect to have Mr. SEWARD'S official reply to the inquiry of the Senate, exhibiting the ratification of the amendment by the requisite number of States. It is certain that before Congress separates the amendment will have been perfected; and with *that* accomplished, the fundamental principle of reconstruction will be assured against interference in any State. Mr. JOHNSON'S mortification at finding the whole subject beyond his reach, or the reach of the Seymour and Blair party, is perhaps not surprising considering his general course. But for his office' sake he should not allow a bad temper and questionable taste to mar the performance of a duty which marks the approach to a more perfect peace.

Congress and the Army.

The political rehabilitation of the South has proved the signal for the long-deferred reduction of the army. It is noteworthy that not a single voice, Republican or Democratic, in Senate or House, opposes this reduction. Senator WILSON, who reported a bill to leave the army on its present basis, did so only in order to furnish a clear schedule of its existing *status*, and had previously put himself on record in favor of reduction. Even Mr. GARFIELD, who objects to the slaughter of general officers, advocates a reduction of the enlisted men to 25,000, which is a reduction of nearly 50 per cent. Accordingly, we may take it for granted that this last will be the maximum of the future enlisted army, with the chances in favor of figures still lower.

And why not? The only two justifications for the present swollen muster-rolls have been reconstruction and the Indians. But, at the South, martial law is giving way to municipal law; valid civil Governments, recognized as such by Congress, have been set up; and State after State marches to the music of the Union. The Plains, according to Gen. SHERMAN, who ought to be a good judge, are comparatively quiet, and no more murders or robberies are there committed by prowling Indians in a month, than by roughs in a coastwise city in the same time. Ordinary garrison and outpost duty is the only army work left, and this must be made the basis for the peace establishment.

Two general schemes of army organization always come up for comparison on any proposal to reduce and fix the military establishment. The first contemplates a uniform and proportionate reduction of officers and men; the other is the *cadre* system, which looks to a maximum of officers and a minimum of enlisted men. Most army officers favor this latter, at least to a partial extent. Gen. GRANT and the military authorities at headquarters perceive its advantages. Gen. GARFIELD'S bill, reported from the House Military Committee, looks in the same direction, and provides for the retention of the seventeen general officers, and the greater part of the staff officers. It does, indeed, reduce the sixty regiments to forty-one, and the 45,000 enlisted men to 25,000; but when it comes to officers, the chief reduction it proposes is that a fourth of them, (less that 800 out of the 2,858,) shall be put on half pay. In other words, its reduction here consists in what would be equivalent to discharging less than 400 officers, or one-seventh of the whole, while the enlisted men are to be brought down one-half.

The advantages, we repeat, of the *cadre* system, in providing a large, well-trained, experienced and able body of officers, are beyond question. These advantages have been verified by experience, as well as recommended in theory by European military systems. In our own case, there is an additional argument in its favor from the fact that those experienced officers, who shall be forced out of the army after their able service during the war, may not be available again in the hour of need—and this is independent of any question of gratitude for that past service. Nevertheless, we cannot but think the House was right in declining to adopt Gen. GARFIELD'S plan, and in so amending it as to more nearly proportion the officers to the men: its action is justified on the grounds of economy and practicability.

As to economy, the disparity between the wages of a commissioned officer and a private soldier is such that, where one of the former is retained, it is like keeping half a dozen or a dozen of the latter. We admit that it is pleasant to have a large body of skillful officers at command—but *it costs*. Except on economical grounds, we should not cut down the army at all; it would hardly be wise, when we are forced to economize, to save at the spigot and let run at the bung.

As to practicability, it would be idle to pretend that when the whole army is reduced one-half, its officers can be safely reduced only one-fourth. It is clear that the reduction may be made proportionally, and should be so made in all grades. To keep up an army where every tenth man is a commissioned officer, and every third or fourth man an officer of some sort, would be only one remove from ARTEMUS WARD'S organization, in which *every* man was an officer—no privates allowed.

Unquestionably, it is an ungracious task to select and muster out some distinguished officers, and to reduce others in rank, for no fault or deficiency of theirs. But, if we come down to the simple fact, five Major-Generals and ten Brigadier-Generals are not required for an army of twenty-five thousand men, more especially as it is not to be kept together in any solid bodies, but scattered into a hundred posts. The same is true of the great staff force in the Quartermaster, Ordnance, Pay, Medicine and other Departments, whose Bureaus are in Washington. It cannot possibly require the large force of staff officers now on duty for the needs of an army of twenty-five thousand men. It must be remembered that this is no new experiment that we are making, but that the staff needs of a small army were familiar experience before the late war.

The House has, it must be confessed, made havoc with the Military Committee bill. But, on the whole, its reductions are sensible. It has provided that any vacancies occurring in the office of General or Lieutenant-General shall not be filled, and that is plainly wise, especially considering the occasion of the original appointments. It has prudently cut down the Major-Generals to three and the Brigadiers to six. It has reduced every staff officer in rank and pay by one grade, as befits a small army, and besides has reduced the number by one half, to take effect on the 10th of March, 1869. Some ill feeling will naturally be caused at first by these sweeping measures. But we doubt not that the pride and patriotism of our army officers will be successfully appealed to—their patriotism, as they see the poverty of the country and the pressing need of retrenchment; their pride, when they will hardly seek to retain places which, if not sinecures, have at least become useless to the country.

Public Slander.

We sincerely hope that in this Presidential campaign our public journals will discuss the great issues of the time with decency and fairness. There can be no apology for any other conduct. Even in a hotly-contested campaign, where inveterate prejudices clash against each other, as in the discussions now going on in England on the Irish Church question, personal abuse is disgusting, and answers no great purpose. But in the campaign which we are now conducting, there is not even that feeble excuse for the personal denunciation of candidates which might be urged in the case of a closer contest. Certainly our Republican journals have no such excuse. The election of GRANT and COLFAX is as certain as if it had already been officially promulgated. We can afford then to let our Democratic contemporaries call Gen. GRANT a butcher, a drunkard or whatever else they may choose. But there is no need to retaliate in the same spirit of unfairness. The public record of Mr. SEYMOUR and Gen. BLAIR are open to criticism. Let the criticism be sharp and unsparing, but let it be fair and honest. Let no statement which either of these men have made be strained so as to give it an unnatural construction, and above all, let there be no denunciation of Southern men on sectional grounds, or as men who once embarked upon the lost cause of rebellion. Let us bury old issues and consider only those which now absorb the attention of the whole people as a unit. We may concede sincerity of conviction to every man who fought against us without compromising our position upon any of these issues. The great question before us is the speedy restoration of the country upon the principle of "equal rights to all men." That object cannot be furthered by any want of fairness, honesty or charity. On the contrary, fairness, honesty and charity are the great necessities of the hour.

Presidential Vote of the Southern States.

The joint resolution which has now passed both Houses, defining the standing of the Southern States in the Electoral College is denounced by the *Journal of Commerce* as "an undisguised political device, designed to make sure the election of GRANT and COLFAX by throwing out every Southern Democratic State." The same allegation was preferred by every Democratic Senator and member who spoke in opposition to the resolution. But nothing could be more unjust or untrue. The resolution in no manner contemplates an invidious or partisan exercise of power. On the contrary, it provides effectively against both by determining in advance the general principle which shall regulate the relation of the Southern States in the Presidential contest.

As originally introduced by Mr. EDMUNDS, the resolution was open to the objection that, by including in its enumeration States whose restoration to the Union has been completed, it seemed to confer a right in no wise contingent upon Congressional action. As finally adopted, it merely affirms the necessity of perfect restoration as a condition-precedent of participation in the approaching election.

Some specific declaration of this sort is necessary to prevent serious complications in the Electoral College. If the matter were allowed to stand over, leaving to Congress the option of admitting or rejecting the vote of Southern States at the last stage, there would be plausible ground for imputing partisan designs. Do what it might, short of unconditional recognition, Congress would be exposed to the charge of political favoritism or hostility.

Equally clear is it that Congress cannot recognize, in respect to the Presidency, States which in the light of the Reconstruction acts may at the time be out of the Union. If they are not possessed of the privileges of States in the Union, as evidenced by representation at Washington, their position in regard to the Presidency is not different from that of Territories. Mississippi, unreconstructed and therefore still out of the Union, will have no stronger title to admission to the Electoral College than Montana. In the eye of the law, one is at this moment no more of a State than the other.

It is expedient, then, to have it understood that only those of the Southern States which shall have reconstructed governments in full operation at the time of the election will be entitled to representation in the Electoral College. Any other basis would be illogical and embarrassing. With this principle affirmed now, there can be no future cause of misunderstanding or complaint, save that which is operative against the entire plan of reconstruction.

Alex. H. Stephens on States' Rights.

Certain resolutions offered before the late Convention by ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS, of Georgia, through a proxy, recall attention to the theory which justified secession to the Southern mind.

Mr. STEPHENS thought the Chicago Convention of 1864 afforded a ray of light to himself and his friends; and, therefore, it is not strange that he should seek to enter into communications with its successor. He labors under some misapprehension, however, when he speaks of the Democratic Party as "sustaining the Federal administration in the late unhappy conflict of arms," for that is exactly what that party did *not* do. But the point more particularly noticeable thus appears in the resolutions:

Resolved, That the Union established by the Constitution is a union of States federal in its character, composed of States thereby united, and is incapable of existence without the States as its continuing integral parts, and therefore the perpetuation of the Union in its integrity depends upon the preservation of the States in their political integrity, the Government of the United States being a Federal Republic, and not a consolidation of the whole people into a nation.

In the resolution which follows Mr. STEPHENS advocates a *return* to this principle, implying that the Republican Party has departed from it. To this inference we object. We object also to the statement that the United States is "not a consolidation of the whole people into a nation."

There is much popular misapprehension as to the meaning of the phrase "States' rights" under the Constitution. Almost universally it is confounded with State sovereignty. The doctrine inculcated by the Calhoun school of Southern politicians that, in a conflict between his State and the General Government, the allegiance of the citizen is due to his State, if it did not produce the rebellion, certainly gave it the support of thousands who would otherwise have stood by the national flag. Does Mr. STEPHENS mean to revive and indorse that doctrine when he denies that the United States is a nation? If he does, then he still insists upon the doctrine of State sovereignty—and if any doctrine was thoroughly exploded by the war it was that.

By the Constitution all rights and powers which pertain to any nation are accorded to the Federal Government. Those which are not thus delegated, and which pertain exclusively to the administration of local affairs, are reserved to the people of the several States. This is the complete statement of the doctrine of States' rights. Any statement which covers larger ground, either as to Federal or State powers, is not in accord with the Constitution. Moreover, this doctrine is as valid to-day as it was before the war; it has not been infringed by the Republican Party; it still remains, as it has ever been, one of the most distinctive and one of the most excellent features of our form of government. The doctrine is so interwoven with our whole history as a nation, and with our whole theory of government, that it can only be destroyed by the destruction of the Republic itself.

How then, it will be asked, was emancipation effected? and how was it that Congress gave the negroes the right to vote upon reconstruction?

We answer that these acts on the part of our Government were never intended as an infringement of the doctrine of States' rights; in fact, they had nothing to do with any doctrine or theory whatsoever. They were practical necessities—measures adopted in accordance with that *lex suprema* which lies back of all constitutions, and which justifies any action which is necessary to safety or preservation of national existence. Emancipation was thus decreed by the Executive; it was a necessity growing out of the war. But there are necessities of peace as well as of war; and such a necessity was the appeal to the entire vote of the South, without distinction of color, upon the matter of reconstruction. And neither emancipation nor universal negro suffrage ought to have been, or would have been necessary, but for the contumacious opposition which forced them upon the General Government. They, however, do not violate the permanent and inherent principle of our Government known as the doctrine of States' rights, any more than military conscription violates the individual liberties of the citizen.

Man-Traps.

Coroners' inquests are not always shams. One held in Brooklyn, on July 9, over the bodies of the five persons drowned in Poplar Pond, on the 2d of July, speaks the mind of the jury boldly and freely. The circumstances of the accident were these: Three little girls, in the heart of a great city, were paddling in the pond and, advancing beyond their depth, were drowned. Two adults, in an attempt to save these three children, were also drowned. Then one PETER CONNERS being informed of the accident, and being also a good swimmer, succeeded in rescuing the bodies, but not in saving the lives of the five unfortunates. An inquest has been held, and the jury declares that no language it can command can adequately convey its sense of "censure of those whose duty it must have been to prevent such fearful loss of life." This is followed by a recommendation "that steps be immediately taken to fill up the said man-traps."

"Man-traps" is good; and Poplar Pond is not the only nuisance which comes fairly under that designation. Roads newly opened, raised to a great height, with precipitous abysses on either side; ditches made in the course of repairs upon sewers and aqueducts—these pitholes, too often unguarded, may well be termed "man-traps." In many portions both of this City and Brooklyn, the deficiency of gas-light increases the danger attending an expedition by night into any street with which one is not well acquainted.

You wish to cross East River by the ferry-boat. The boat reaches its destination. When the chain-guard is unloosed you take it for granted that you may safely advance to the landing, but, in so doing, your female companion puts down her foot and finds no support for it; by a fortunate glance you perceive that one of her limbs is in danger of being crushed between the boat and the dock, and perhaps you are able to extricate her. Why was the chain-guard unloosed before the landing was secure? This is another "man-trap."

Again, it is a notorious fact that the East River boats plying between Harlem and Peck-slip have very insecure means of landing at their stopping-places. These boats are usually crowded, and there is always a rush at the landing. The plank is frail and has no guards upon the sides. It sometimes breaks; but fortunately no fatal accident has ever occurred—but such a casualty may happen any day. Here is another "man-trap."

Our steam-cars have well proved their worthiness to be called "man-traps," so many times, indeed, that it is unnecessary to recount the instances. So also our boats upon the Sound. They are lighted in such a manner as to invite accident. In a fog—as we have recently seen—they cannot be depended upon. The precautions prescribed by law as to bell-ringing and steam-whistling in such emergencies are wholly disregarded.

From all these various sources accidents are daily occurring; an inquest is held; somebody is mildly censured, and there is an end of the matter. The American people are too good humored in these matters, and coroners' juries are notoriously lenient toward the guilty parties. A little indignation would be in place. If it were insisted upon by the people all these "man-traps" might be abolished, and we might venture upon the car and the steamboat, or upon an ordinary walk into the streets by night without that feeling of insecurity which is the great horror of American travelers.

The Warehousing System—Mr. Morrill's Bill.

Attempts to modify or overthrow the warehousing system are made at almost every session, with an effect injurious to the business of the country, which wants permanence in the character of its legislation. The system has been in operation for over twenty years, and under it a vast expenditure has been made for warehouses by private capitalists, which would be seriously affected by a change of the law. The change is sought in the supposed interest of manufacturers, who seek to make competition with them difficult by a diminution of the amount of importations.

That it would seriously affect the City of New-York by contracting its trade and business, and lessen in a corresponding degree the revenues devoted to the payment of interest is perfectly understood, but this is disregarded in the quarter which proposes these changes. If the warehousing system were abolished, or if interest were charged on the amount of duties, importers would hold their goods on the other side until very near the period when they were wanted in this market for sale or consumption—stored in their own warehouses—when they would be sent over and immediately sold to the great loss of warehouse owners who now store the goods until their use is required.

Although the policy of storing goods in bonded warehouses is of advantage frequently to the foreign manufacturer, yet the parties who most enjoy the benefit of the act are the men of moderate capital here, who can ill afford to advance the amount of duties and hold the goods for any great length of time. To repeal this law would be to throw the importing business into the hands of the great capitalists. They, however, do not seek its repeal, for it is an advantage to them to be able to make their entries, as the goods are wanted for consumption. They prefer the safety which arises from having their goods in bonded warehouses, with the certainty that they cannot be removed or used as the basis for obtaining fraudulent loans; whereas, if they were stored in free warehouses, the owners would be subject to frauds not now possible. The goods can only now be removed on the presentation of authentic papers, and are safe in the public warehouses, except so far as the contingency of an occasional theft is concerned, to avoid which is scarcely possible, under any system.

Objection is made that the agents of foreign manufacturers are enabled by means of the existence of the policy to pursue their business in this market, without the necessity of having any regular place of business, as the goods are entered only as sold and are delivered to the purchaser immediately from warehouse. The scale on which this scheming is pursued must be very insignificant, as he law requires that the goods shall be entered and removed from warehouse only in original packages, so that these sharpers cannot sell to the consumer, but must as a general thing sell to jobbers or other dealers who enjoy the chief benefit. So little of this is done, that the legislation which seeks to remedy it by wholly abolishing the system, is too absurd to be thought of. Some disadvantages attend the plan, but they are as nothing compared to the advantages which it produces.

The supplies stored in warehouses are not merely of the manufactured articles, which are regarded with disfavor by producers in this country, but they consist also of tea, coffee, sugars, fruits, and of other articles of diet which enter into the consumption of the whole people. One of the most difficult problems to be accomplished is that of supplying a great people with the necessaries of life, and if the policy of bonded warehouses prevents a frequent or a serious want on the part of the community, the mere fact that some broker or agent who has no store and no regular place of business occasionally profits by it to the damage, it may be, of the regular merchant, is not to be weighed against the advantage which every community in the United States enjoys in the provision against scarcity which the accumulation of such articles affords.

A considerable tendency to excess in importations has been produced by the facility with which our bonds, amounting to several hundred millions of dollars, have been placed in Europe. The amount absorbed by foreign countries has been turned into exchange, and has been drawn for as if it constituted the sum of our exports over and above imports, but the losses which ensued as a consequence of that excess in the amount of our imports divided among merchants here and manufacturers abroad, has produced unusual care in what is now imported in the hope that profit will ensue. But until we get upon the old plan of basing our imports upon our exports, we shall never be on solid ground—a position to be reached by the inexorable laws of trade, which are sooner or later enforced in despite of and without the aid of legislation. This excess, due to what we have mentioned, is unjustly charged to the warehousing system, which permits goods to remain in bond for a limited time, when the duties must be paid—a convenience which extends to the whole Union and which cannot be dispensed with. If the duties are not paid in one year, ten per cent. is now added for the privilege of having the goods remain in bond two more.

The attempt to amend the act by requiring interest to be paid on those duties, is founded in entire ignorance of the course of business in New-York, where there are houses which make from twenty to thirty entries daily, and it would require a force of clerks in the Custom House whose salaries would not be paid by the saving, to compute the interest on all the entries, and delays would be experienced of a most important character.

It must also be borne in mind that serious hindrances to the regular importation of goods, transfers the place of importation to Canadian ports, and encourages their introduction among us by means of smuggling over an exposed frontier—which more effectually damages the manufacturer, and also inflicts damage on the regular trader and on the Government, whose revenues and consequent means of payment thus become diminished. Goods are also sent here for exportation to other countries in the expectation that they will remain in the warehouse until a convenient opportunity occurs for shipment—a trade beneficial to our shipowners and merchants, which the repeal of the act of Congress would transfer to more accommodating localities. We cannot suppose that Congress will be indifferent to these important interests in its zeal to benefit certain manufacturers.

MINOR TOPICS

The Democratic Party is evidently going to save the Republicans from trouble by committing suicide. Our telegraphic columns contain an account of a great meeting held at Richmond, on Saturday night, to ratify the Democratic nominations, at which Gov. VANCE, Gen. WISE, and other leading Confederates were the speakers. VANCE audaciously declared that "*what the Confederacy fought for would be won by the election of* SEYMOUR *and* BLAIR." WISE, while supporting the nominations, denounced as a falsehood the first Tammany resolution which alleged secession to be dead, and he declared that it was more alive than ever. He especially supported BLAIR because he had promised revolution, &c. These are the declarations that will be made all over the South by the Democratic Confederate leaders. As they come North from time to time, they will save the Republicans a great deal of work, a great deal of anxiety, and a great deal of stump-speaking. It is a long time since the Devil was declared to be a Fool.

The revolutionary conspiracy in Spain has evidently been of the most formidable character. In addition to the banishment to the Canary Islands of the high military and civil dignitaries who were arrested last week, we have news this morning that DON ANTONIO, the Duke of Montpensier, has also been arrested and carried to the frontier—that is, exiled from Spain. It was, according to previous dispatches, the Duke, who is brother-in-law to the Queen, who was to be placed on the throne, in the event of the success of the conspiracy. The banished officers include Gen. DULCE, formerly Captain-General of Cuba; Gen. SERRANO, Duke DE LA TORRE and eight other Generals of high rank. The conspirators evidently kept their movements in the dark up to the last moment; for our latest mail advices from Spain or France give no hint of a revolutionary scheme of this character. We know that Gen. PRIM, who is an exile in France because of his revolutionary attempt last year, has lately been in negotiation for the purchase of eight thousand French rifles; but there was no idea that such personages as those named were involved in his plans. The movement is both extraordinary and unexpected.

Lieut.-Gen. SHERMAN, according to the Chicago (Democratic) *Times*, replied to a crowd in St. Louis on Friday evening, when asked what he thought of the nomination of SEYMOUR. "It is a bad nomination, and will be beaten all to pieces. GRANT will be elected." SHERMAN evidently understands himself, as well as GRANT and SEYMOUR.

This is the annual season of College Commencements and it is exceedingly satisfactory to see our colleges for young women so well advanced. New-York's especial pride, the Vassar College, this year graduated a large class from its four hundred students and for the first time conferred the baccalaureate degree. To call a young woman a bachelor of arts is not so inappropriate as it might at first seem. Up to the time at least of BEN. JONSON the word *bachelor* meant a young unmarried person, of either sex. The French with their convenient terminations have *bachelette* to correspond to *bachelier*, and in the original Latin the etymological and classical signification of the word, ("crowned with laurel berries,") was indifferently applied to both young men and women by a mere change of termination—*baccalaureus*, *baccalaurea*. We hope, then, that our young women's colleges will continue to raise their standards of scholarship and will thereby receive from the State the power to confer the laurel wreaths upon their fair pupils, and we doubt not these will be worn as modestly as they are worthily won.

The Cincinnati *Gazette* is extremely angry with Mr. CHASE, and calls on him to resign his position of Chief Justice. It says that he has by his recent course made himself unfit for the Supreme Bench; and "that a man whose mind is so affected by his ambition, and is so turned to vengeance by disappointment, and who now has this hatred and malice excited to intensity toward both parties, cannot be possessed of the judicial temper which the office of Chief Justice requires." But we can't suppose Mr. CHASE'S mind is filled up in this way with vengeance, hatred, ambition and malice. He remarked the other day, when he saw the false position in

which he was placed, that he wished he had repelled the Democratic advances from the beginning.

The Democrats seem to think that bluster and menace as well as defamation and slander, will help them in this campaign. Mr. FRANK BLAIR threatens revolutionary measures in case of Democratic success. A short time ago, the Louisville *Journal* made the direst threats of carnage in case the Senate undertook to regulate the terms on which the Southern States should vote. Several of the Southern delegates lately in this City thought they would frighten us with pictures of the terrible things the Democracy would do in case they had a mind to do them. Let them keep on with this sort of talk, and see how much they will make by it.

In the State Senate of South Carolina the white members are largely in the majority, there being twenty-five whites, four mulattoes and three negroes. In the House the colored men (negroes, mulattoes, quadroons and octoroons) have a slight majority. One of our correspondents at Columbia writes us that at the organization of the House last week the contestants for the Speakership were Mr. MOSES, an Israelite, and Mr. WHIPPER, a black man. On the first ballot the former was elected by a large majority. Mr. MOSES is a South Carolinian by birth, and belongs to a prominent family of that State. He is a young man of talent, education and intellect.

Senator SUMNER is laboring with great assiduity to secure the election of negro Congressmen and Senators from the Southern States. We published a letter from him a short time ago, urging the election of black members to either branch of Congress; and he has now written another letter to a prominent colored man in Columbia, S. C., warning the Legislature "not to lose the golden opportunity of making a colored citizen Senator from South Carolina." Since Mr. SUMNER'S extraordinary anxiety to secure colored Senators has been made public, we understand that several capable negroes of Boston are preparing to contest with him for the vacancy which will occur, in a few months, in the Massachusetts Senatorship.

A necessary result of the sudden and distinct division into party lines which the Irish Church Suspensory bill effected in the British Parliament, has been the entire cessation of all other legislation of importance. Of course, if the present Parliament is near its end, as the stubborn dead-lock it stands in makes very probable, no good can be gained by beginning new schemes it will not have time to finish, and especially as its successor will be composed of members elected under very decided changes in the mode of representation. So it has happened that the Elementary Education bill has been withdrawn, and will now probably await the action of a new Parliament. Its various questions of how extensive the system should be made, whether compulsory or voluntary, whether purely secular or partially religious, whether supported by local or general taxation, and the thousand and one points that would arise in the formation of a new or the reforming of an old scheme of popular education, have wisely been postponed. But the Irish Church is not the only important subject that needs looking after, and British legislators would do well to be diligent in business—the time is a pressing one.

There is a curious illustration of English red-tapeism and American directness to be found in the public nomenclature of the two countries. Americans indicate, English explain the whole story in a name. For instance, the present Parliament has been considering a measure called the "Election Petitions and Corrupt Practices at Election Bill"—we should probably have called it the "Election" or the "Corruption Bill." The measure which we know as the "Sunday Liquor Law" has its equivalent in the "Regulation of Liquor Sales on Sunday Act." The manufacturing association which we should have been likely to christen the "Liebig Meat Co.," making adjectives of the different nouns employed to characterize it, they amplify by qualifying it with the full description and call it the "Liebig's Improved Extract of Meat Co."—and so on. This is one of the little things that show how the English race in America is becoming quickened and sharpened by the climate and other influences, rendered impatient of detail, tending to cross-cuts, short roads, light weights, and fast time. No doubt conservatism will develop again in the future, but just now we are all on the *qui vive* most constantly.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

OPERATIC AND OTHER MATTERS.

About this time, as the weather-wise say, operatic rumors may be expected, and sure enough they are coming upon us thick and fast. It we may put our trust in them, it would seem as though we were after all to have a fair allowance of music during the present Summer and the coming Fall seasons. First absolutely in the field is Mr. BATEMAN, with an almost entirely new company of artists. Mr. BATEMAN opens at Niblo's Garden on Monday next, the 20th instant, with OFFENBACH'S opera bouffe of "Barbe Bleue." This work has never been attempted here, even by the Stadt Theatre, owing, perhaps, to the fact that it requires very elaborate preparation. In the matter of dresses, our old friend Blue Beard was extravagant—even in the story book. The French costumer has not attempted to curb this passion, and so we hear that the wardrobe of "Barbe Bleue" is superb. It has been made in Paris from the original designs. There is also a ballet which will also briefly introduce a number of brilliant dresses. The scenery is being painted by Mr. MINARD LEWIS, and is already in a forward state of preparation. The chorus will consist of sixty voices, and the orchestra of the number prescribed by the composer. It will be seen that it is Mr. BATEMAN'S intention to have a thoroughly perfect *ensemble*. It was mainly owing to this circumstance that he obtained so firm a footing at the commencement. He went into the business as a certainty, not as an experiment. It was nothing but right that he should be rewarded for his pluck. Mr. BATEMAN'S company this season is of unusual proportions, and it is composed of capital material. Mlle. IRMA (who will contest the honors with TOSTEE, when that mercurial little lady returns to us) is very well known. She has sung in Paris, at the Bouffes Parisiennes, the Chatelet, the Lyrique and the Athenée. She was the original *Gendrillon*, and played it for two hundred nights. More recently she created the principal *rôle* in the new and very popular operetta of "Fleur de Thé," and won a success in "Barbe Bleue." Mlle. IRMA possesses a fine soprano voice, is an excellent actress, and is favored with an extremely charming presence. OFFENBACH anticipates a great future for the lady, particularly in his own works. Mlle. LAMBELE is also a member of Mr. BATEMAN'S troupe. The lady will be remembered. She was the only redeeming feature of the New-Orleans troupe which sang for a few nights at the French Theatre. Mlle. LAMBELE has a light agreeable voice, which she uses skillfully, and is a beautiful woman. Mlle. JEANNE DUCLO is a handsome blonde, (we wonder how she was spared, the Parisians are susceptible on this point,) and ranks as a second soprano, capable, if necessary, of taking first parts. The same remark applies to Mlles. HENRIETTE ROSE and MATHILDE LABUELLE. There are three new tenors in the present combination. The principal, M. AUJAC, enjoys a reputation in France. It is stated that he refused a three years' engagement at the Opera Comique in order to come to America, showing, at all events, that he was worth inducing and open to inducement. We hear from reliable sources that he is a first-class artist. Messrs. GUIDON and FRANCIS are comic tenors, and to this list may be added M. DAINE, another member of the deceased New-Orleans troupe. He played *Orphée* in "Orphée aux Enfers." M. EDGARD is the baritone, or soprano, or tenor, or contralto, or chorus, or orchestra, or anything else that may be required at a moment's notice. We will guarantee that in any capacity he will be adequate and acceptable. Of the old troupe, in addition to TOSTEE, (who returns in August,) the following members have been retained; Messrs. LEDUC, LAGRIFFOUL, BENEDICK and HAMILTON. With such a company as this Mr. BATEMAN may safely appeal to the country, especially when we remember that he has engaged so cool and pleasant a theatre as Niblo's. We must not forget to add that the ballet has been selected from Messrs. JARRETT & PALMER'S splendid company.

The moment we leave Mr. BATEMAN we get into regions of doubt and uncertainty. The way is troublesome, and when it has been thoroughly explored there is not, perhaps, much to discover. The only manager in office at the present time is Mr. GRAU, who is indulging in the luxury of altering the French Theatre, with the desperate hope of making it comfortable. May he succeed! Of Mr. GRAU'S plans we always hear a great deal, for the simple reason that they take a long time to mature. STRAUSS, the dance composer, was spoken of for the usual period, but has now lapsed into oblivion. We regret this very much, for it is a privilege to hear STRAUSS conduct his own orchestra, and lead his own music. The rumour now is that Mr. GRAU intends essaying Opera-Bouffe, and has already engaged two artists, M. CARIER and Mlle. ROSA BELLE, for that purpose. The experiment it seems to us is a hazardous one, and is to be regretted for many reasons. OFFENBACH is well enough in limited quantities, but it is by no means desirable that we should be drenched with him. It is, however, a national vice to "run things into the ground." No sooner does some one make a success than a dozen instantly imitate it. The business is small enough, but the results are usually smaller, and, what is worse still, they are injurious to enterprise. Competition is the soul of trade, but not of art. BOUCICAULT has sobbed loudly on the subject. He calls it the act of a penny-a-scener, just as small literary imitation is generally the product of a penny-a-liner. Mr. GRAU will not, we understand, give any French dramatic performances this year. The calamitous clause of the lease compelling him to do so has been rescinded or suspended. Perhaps it is necessity, therefore, that compels the manager to give some sort of French entertainment as a "make up" for the concession. Mme. RISTORI has an engagement in Brazil, and it is not improbable that she may call upon us on the way thither, and as she will have a company with her, she may even be induced to give a few farewell performances at Mr. GRAU'S theatre.

Mr. PIKE'S beautiful Opera House in the Eighth-avenue is tenantless, to the disgrace of our managers. We are constantly hearing the cry that there are not theatres enough, yet here is one built with out regard to cost, and in a neighborhood where a large class of amusement-goers live, without a lessee. A gentleman of Mr. PIKE'S energy is not likely to allow matters to remain in this state. We shall be mistaken if the sensation of the season does not proceed from this theatre.

At every mention of the name of MAPLESON the stockholders of the Academy of Music palpitate with delightful anticipation. The London manager, it is now asserted, will be here positively in the Fall. He brings with him the best members of his company; notably TITIENS, KELLOGG and SANTLEY. It is said that NILLSON will also belong to the troupe, but as KELLOGG has a right to claim all NILLSON'S popular *rôles*, and can sing them quite as well, it seems superfluous to disturb the European career of the latter lady. Be that as it may, it seems probable that Italian Opera will pass into new hands, and hands too that are accustomed to touch this business at its warmest.

MARETZEK is reading VIRGIL in Staten Island. He pipes ecstati ally to his flocks and lets the world go by. The latest intelligence we have of him came, curiously enough, through our Paris correspondent. From this reliable source we learn that MARETZEK has purchased the copyright of AUBER'S last opera, and is having it translated into Italian. Also other works. This does not look like abandoning the field. But the artists—where are they? and the theatre—where is it? The irrepressible MAX STRAKOSCH sailed for Europe on Saturday in the *Pereire*. His object was to Engage A First Class German Opera Company. A great many decent people have tried to do this before, and failed. It is the most difficult task that a man can impose upon himself. Good German singers are wanted much more in Germany than they are here. Mr. STRAKOSCH is however fortunate in having Mme. LA GRANGE, who will be his *primadonna*. The lady is a thorough *artiste*, and in point of personal popularity we doubt if any *primadonna* has surpassed her.

It is rumored that Mr. GROVER is also organizing a German opera troupe.

Pending the solution of these mysteries, we are well provided with seasonable music. Mr. THEODORE THOMAS, at the Central Park Garden, draws the town. Whether it rain or shine, the spacious hall of the establishment is filled; and on festival nights the "glad overflow" extends to the Garden. Mr. BERGMANN, too, is at work. His concerts are more *al fresco* than THOMAS', but musically they are equally admirable. The leafy bowers of Palace Garden are seductive on warm nights.

The Bryants go on swimmingly. Every one who laughs the heat off goes to the Bryants.

There was a concert last evening at Tammany Hall. Whatever may be the attractions of the building to delegates, it seems to have but few for the public at large. The attendance was poor.

Theatrical.

The several Summer sensations, capped with such ingenious adjectives as the "Living Sensation," the "Sensation of the Season," the "Great Sensation," &c., maintain their places on the bills of the City theatres. "Humpty Dumpty" begins its nineteenth week to-night, and the Olympic was as crowded in the eighteenth week as it was during the first.

Mr. BROUGHAM'S "Lottery of Life" will be played for the thirty-first time this evening at Wallack's Theatre; every nightly turn of this wheel of good fortune draws the management lucky numbers.

The "Flash of Lightning" reveals every evening a fashionable audience at the Broadway Theatre. This very imposing picture of local life, as it is in 1868, will be acted for the thirty-fourth time to-night.

Mr. BAKER'S version of "The Grand Duchess" enters on its fourth week at the Worrell Sisters' Theatre this evening.

A Summer season of pantomime, singing, dancing, &c., will be commenced at the Bowery Theatre to-night. *Vol au Vran* and the *Maseppa* burlesques are the pieces.

Mr. ALF. BURNETT'S "facealogical" entertainment (as he calls it) will be continued every evening at Dodworth's Hall, and on Saturday will be given for a *matinée*.

Ice water is kindly handed round to the patrons of some of the theatres.

SCHLEE, the danseuse, goes to Chicago after her Niblo engagement.

LOTTA is to play her next engagement at the Olympic Theatre.

An Amazonian Robber—Queer Affair in St. Louis.

From the St. Louis Democrat of July 8.

On Thursday last, as Mme. GUISSAZ was alone in her cottage on Taylor-avenue, a woman of gigantic proportions and savage aspect appeared at the door and asked for a drink of water. Mme. GUISSAZ invited her into the parlor, and was preparing to get the desired draught, when the women said she was very hungry and would like something to eat. Mme. GUISSAZ invited her to the kitchen, and was walking in advance of the woman, when, looking back, she observed her strange visitor draw a long gleaming knife from her bosom.

Raising the knife in a threatening manner, the savage woman explained, "It is not bread I want, but money!"

Mme. GUISSAZ is noted among her acquaintances for her energy and courage, and although at first startled by the murderous demonstration of the woman, she quickly recovered her presence of mind, and springing to the corner of a room, where a double-barreled shot-gun was standing, she seized the weapon and leveled it at the female footpad. It was now the turn of the amazon to feel frightened, and turning upon her heel she rushed out of the house and ran down the road as fast as her flapping skirts would permit. She did not pause to look back until she had placed a good quarter of a mile between herself and the brave lady she had attempted to rob.

TOOMBS and COBB are in Atlanta, Ga., working hard to defeat the Constitutional Amendment.

TELEGRAMS.

English Opinion of the Democratic Nominees.

Good Results of the German Naturalization Treaty.

Marriage of Ismael Pacha, Viceroy of Egypt.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Comments of the London Press on the Democratic Nominations.

LONDON, Saturday, July 11.

Telegrams from the New-York Associated Press office, announcing the final result of the ballotings in the National Democratic Convention, were promptly received by the London journals. These dispatches evoke comments from the Press generally unfavorable to the success of the ticket.

The *Daily Standard* thinks that sanguine Democrats themselves may well doubt if HORATIO SEYMOUR can defeat the most popular American.

The *Daily News* says the Radical Party will exult over the Democratic defeat, which is certain to follow the selection of so weak a candidate as HORATIO SEYMOUR.

The *News* thinks the country needed a stronger and more healthful opposition than it is likely now to have, and believes that the intelligent Americans will soon acknowledge this with regret.

The *Morning Herald* treats the coming contest as a foregone conclusion. The *Herald* is not sure if the best man the Democracy could select could not oppose Gen. GRANT with advantage on the question of keeping faith with the Southern States and the bondholders, but GRANT'S personal eminence and popularity would probably elect him in any event.

PRUSSIA.

Good Effects of the German-American Naturalization Treaty.

BERLIN, Saturday, July 11.

By virtue of the provisions of the Naturalization Treaty recently concluded between North Germany and the United States, this Government has stayed all prosecutions against the adopted citizens of America of German birth. Those who have been sentenced or imprisoned will be released forthwith.

English versus American Reaping Machines.

BERLIN, Sunday, July 12.

At a trial of the reaping machines of the world, which took place yesterday, the English reapers were decided to be superior to those of America, and took the international prize.

TURKEY.

Marriage of Ismael Pacha—Movements of Prince Napoleon.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Saturday, July 11.

ISMAEL PACHA, the Viceroy of Egypt, has married the daughter of ABDUL MEDJID, the Turkish Minister.

PRINCE NAPOLEON has gone to Athens.

SPAIN.

Banishment of the Duke de Montpensier—Political Exiles.

LONDON, Sunday, July 12.

The latest dispatches received from Madrid state that DON ANTONIO, the Duke de Montpensier, had been arrested and taken to the frontier.

The Generals who were recently arrested here for political causes have been sent in banishment to the Canary Islands.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

The Pacific Squadron—Democratic Ratification Meeting in San Francisco—The Army—The Oakland Disaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, July 11.

Admiral HASKINS, commanding the English squadron of the Pacific, disapproves the proceedings of Commander BRIGGS, of the *Chanticleer*, in the affair at Mazatlan, and has ordered him to reopen that port immediately and proceed to Panama.

Don ANGEL MARTINEZ, the leader in the late unsuccessful revolutions at Sinaloa, and his Chief of Staff Col. TOLEDO, are now in this city.

The Democrats of San Francisco last night held a large meeting, ratifying the nominations of SEYMOUR and BLAIR. Gov. HAIGHT presided.

Gen. ORD, commander of the Department of California, has called the attention of the Secretary of War to the fact that of the contemplated reduction of the army be made by Congress, no recruits can be sent here to fill the vacancies already made. A large number of men will soon be discharged; some posts on Arizona and Nevada will be abandoned, and others weakened; so it will be impossible to send expeditions against the hostile Indian, and the settlements and overland routes will be exposed to attack.

The Coroner's Jury in the Oakland disaster of July 4, have returned a verdict, charging gross neglect on the part of the managers of the Ferry Company.

The Inauguration of Gov. Warmoth, of Louisiana—Proceedings in the State Legislature—Lieut.-Gov. Dunn Inducted into Office—Outrage by a Mob.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Sunday, July 12.

Both Houses of the Legislature have adopted a resolution for a joint session on Monday, to inaugurate Gov. WARMOTH.

The Senate yesterday adopted a resolution to induct Lieut.-Gov. DUNN into office, which was done by the administration of the constitutional oath by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in the presence of the Senate. Senator LYNCH, President *pro tem.*, introduced Mr. DUNN to the Senate as the first Lieutenant-Governor of the State under the Constitution of 1868, with a few complimentary remarks, in which he alluded to the race to which Mr. DUNN belongs. In his reply, Mr. DUNN said: "As to myself and my people, we are not seeking social equality. That is a thing no law can govern. We all have our preferences; we all wish to select our associates, and no legislation can select them for us. We ask nothing of the kind. We simply ask to be allowed an equal chance in the race of life; an equal opportunity of supporting our families, of educating our children and of becoming worthy citizens of this Government.

Gov. WARMOTH has not notified the Commanding General of the adoption of the Fourteenth Amendment, hence no order has yet been issued turning over the State Government to the civil authorities.

It is reported that a mob broke into the office of the *Iliad*, (a paper published by J. W. BLACKBURN, in the interior of the State,) last week, and destroyed the press and scattered the type. Mr. BLACKBURN is the member of Congress elect, and his paper was one of the official organs of the late Convention.

Pursuit of Railroad Thieves Near Cincinnati—One Arrest.

CINCINNATI, Sunday, July 12.

Yesterday a party of men who were hunting for the thieves who attempted to rob the Adams' Express car, on the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, on Friday, chased a gang into a thicket near Rockport, Ind., and succeeded in capturing a man named CHARLES ROSEBERRY. He was brought to this city last night and confined in jail. The others escaped. As there is a large number of citizens and officers in pursuit, they will probably be taken. It is reported that three of the gang, named MOORE, CONNELL and SHARKS, were severely wounded in the fight on Friday night. The citizens of Seymour met last night and formed a Vigilance Committee.

English Cricketers at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, Saturday, July 11.

A large party of cricketers from Canada arrived yesterday at Congress Hall. They are officers of the British army, and are on their way to New-York to play a match against the St. George's Cricket Club of New-York, on Monday and Tuesday, and an international cricket match against the American cricketers from the St. George and Philadelphia clubs on Wednesday and Thursday. They are members of a well-known military organization. The Knickerbocker Club and the name of the eleven are as follows:

Major HOAGEN, Sixteenth Regiment; Lieut. HENNAGE, Royal Engineers; Lieut. A. PEPYS, Sixtieth Rifles; Ensign R. C. DAVIES, Sixtieth Rifles; Lieut. N. W. WALLACE, Sixtieth Rifles; Lieut. MAINWARING, Sixteenth Regiment; Lieut. PARVES, Royal Artillery; Capt. MURRAY, Seventy-eighth Highlanders; Ensign TOWNSEND, Sixteenth Regiment; Ensign BROWNE, One Hundredth Regiment; Lieut. J. S. BRIDGES, Royal Artillery; Umpire, Ensign FORDYCE, Seventy-eighth Highlanders; Scorer, Capt. Robertson, Sixtieth Rifles.

After visiting points of interest, including a trip to Saratoga Lake, they left this evening to do battle against the Dragon Slayers.

Decoration of Soldiers' Graves at Wheeling, W. Va.

WHEELING, W. Va., Saturday, July 11.

In compliance with the Mayor's request business was almost entirely suspended this afternoon, in order to permit the citizens generally to participate in decorating the soldiers' graves with flowers, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic, when, after appropriate speeches by Gov. BOREMAN, Ex-Gov. STANTON and Attorney-General MELVIN, the procession dispersed.

Consecration of Bishops at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Sunday, July 12.

At the Roman Catholic Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, this day, Rev. WM. O'HARA, D. D., was consecrated Bishop of the new diocese of Scranton, and Rev. J. F. SHANAHAN, D. D., was consecrated Bishop of the new diocese of Wilkesbarre. The Right Rev. Bishop WOOD was the consecrator, the attending Bishops being Drs. MCGILL, of Richmond, ELDER, of Natchez, LYNCHBURG, of Charleston, and DARONEC, of Pittsburg. The services lasted five hours.

Plasterers' National Convention at Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO, Ill., Saturday, July 11.

The Plasterers' National Convention assembled in this city on Tuesday, and remained in session until to-day. They adopted the following:

Resolved, That we, the plasterers of the United States, in Convention assembled, do hereby pledge ourselves to support any plasterers' society herein represented which may feel disposed to strike for the eight hours' labor movement, provided that such association notify the National Society to that effect.

Resolved, That the various organizations composing the Convention be and are hereby requested to advance their standard of wages approximating to $5 per day as soon as practicable.

Fatal Railroad Accident Near Natick, Mass.—The Weather.

WORCESTER, Mass., Sunday, July 12.

JAMES GOODWIN, a brakeman, fell from the platform compartment car of the steamboat train last evening, near Natick, striking on his head and killing him instantly. He leaves a family in Dorchester.

The thermometer ranged from 92° to 98° in the shade here to-day.

Decease of Commodore James F. Miller, United States Navy.

BOSTON, Mass., Sunday, July 12.

Commodore JAMES F. MILLER, of the United States Navy, died yesterday in Charlestown, after a long illness. He entered service in 1821, and was made Commander in 1861.

Democratic Delegates Homeward Bound

BANGOR, Me., Sunday, July 12.

The Democrats of this city received the returning delegates from New York on the steamer Cambridge, on Saturday, with a salute of guns, which was responded to by a gun on the steamer.

Banquet to Hon. Reverdy Johnson.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sunday, July 12.

The banquet to Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON, Minister Plenipotentiary, &c., to Great Britain, will take place on Wednesday evening.

Republican Meeting at Bangor, Me.

BANGOR, Me., Sunday, July 12.

Hon. JOHN A. BINGHAM, and Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, spoke to a large Republican meeting here on Saturday evening.

The Heat in Poughkeepsie.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sunday, July 12.

The heat has been intense here yesterday and to-day; yesterday the thermometer indicated 102 in the shade; to-day 100 in the shade; to-night, at 7 o'clock P. M., 94. The weather is clear.

WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, July 12.

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

There is much speculation regarding the attitude of the President and his Cabinet on the New-York Democratic nominations, and numerous reports are in circulation (none of them well founded, however,) that a serious disaffection exists among Mr. JOHNSON'S advisers toward the democratic candidates. There is no doubt, however, of the position of Mr. SEWARD and Gen. SCHOFIELD. They both support Gen. GRANT. Secretary SEWARD will probably take no prominent part in the campaign, but his sympathies and countenance will be given to the Republican candidate. The same may be said only in a more positive degree of Mr. EVARTS, the probable Attorney-General. As to Mr. MCCULLOCH'S position, nothing further is positively known than that he utterly repudiates the financial part of the Democratic platform, and that he dislikes SEYMOUR. Postmaster-General RANDALL is reported to have declared for GRANT and COLFAX, but authorizes a denial of the report, and adds that he has not made up his mind to support either ticket. He states further, very significantly, that he cannot conscientiously support a repudiation platform, or any candidate with repudiation principles. Regarding the much-talked-of third party movement, he says that it would fail, inasmuch as it would result in throwing the election of President into the House, where there is no third party, and where GRANT and COLFAX are the overwhelming choice. Other members of the Cabinet are understood to entertain similar views.

THE ARMY BILL.

The Army bill met with rough usage in the House yesterday at the hands of BUTLER and LOGAN, particularly the former, who wreaked revenge on the regular army by slashing the bill all to pieces in the most reckless style. When BUTLER got to a stopping place he had reduced the entire staff of the army one-half, and had reduced the rank of the half that remained one grade. He loaded the bill with absurd amendments until it seemed as if he was determined to kill it off, and thus deprive a Republican Congress of the credit arising from a practical and safe reduction of the army. The House was for the time being as plastic as clay in the hands of the potter, the Democrats voting with him uniformly. The motives of BUTLER'S actions were aptly characterized when a Republican member asked a Democrat why they voted to sustain BUTLER so uniformly. "Because he did his best to break up our party, and now he is doing his best to break up yours, and we want to help him," was the reply. Gen. GARFIELD seeing that the bill was being torn to pieces without system or object, endeavored to get it recommitted, but did not succeed. He will try again to-morrow. The bill as reported from the Committee meets the approval of the War Department and army headquarters.

THE FUNDING BILL.

Senator SHERMAN hopes to press the Funding bill to a passage in the Senate. The only progress made on it yesterday was Senator SUMNER'S able and interesting speech of an hour and a half. The Ways and Means Committee of the House are also considering the same subject, and will meet to-morrow morning to consider the bill as prepared by a subcommittee who have been engaged upon it. If they agree they will at once report it to the House. The necessity for the passage of such a measure is becoming more imperative with every hour.

THE TAX BILL.

The Tax bill was yesterday sent to a Committee of Conference direct without consideration of the amendments in the House. The Committee consists on the part of the House of Messrs. SCHENCK, HOOPER and NIBLACK. This insures the final passage of the bill by the middle of the week.

THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE BILL.

An effort will be made by some of the Democrats, friends of the President, to induce him to act on the Electoral College bill as soon as it reaches him, in order to facilitate an adjournment by Monday next. This bill passed the House yesterday, with a brief amendment, which the Senate will agree to to-morrow. The bill will then reach the President at once.

APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Conference report on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, which was agreed to in both Houses yesterday, among other things continues the Educational Bureau as a separate department for another year, and then places it in charge of the Interior Department. The offices of Assistant Secretary of State and Superintendent of Statistics in the State Department were also continued for another year.

SENATORS FROM LOUISIANA.

The new Senators from Louisiana are expected here on Tuesday, and will be at once admitted. W. P. KELLOGG, for the long term, is Collector of the port, at New-Orleans, and went to Louisiana from Illinois. He is a shrewd, sharp business man, and was some time since a warm supporter of President JOHNSON. JOHN S. HARRIS, Senator elect for the short term, is a most excellent business man, and personally is one of the most genial, courteous and affable men to be met with anywhere. He is a sound, practical Republican, and went to Louisiana some years ago from Milwaukee, Wis., where he was for many years a merchant and banker.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU.

The act continuing the operations of the Freedmen's Bureau in the Southern States was filed in the State Department yesterday as a law, without the approval of the President. The bill now pending regarding the same subject will, if it passes the House at this session, be similarly treated.

INTEREST ON GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Gen. BUTLER'S proposition to tax the interest on Government securities will be brought up in the House again on the call of the States to-morrow. He may not be able to get it up himself, but will prevail on some other member whose State will be called to do it for him. It is not likely that it will pass, although its friends are very earnest in its support, and argue that it is nothing more than an additional tax on the income of bondholders. Others call it "Brevet Repudiation."

Associated Press Dispatches.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Sunday, July 12.

FOREIGN CONSULS.

The President has recognized H. W. SEVERANCE as Consul of his Hawaiian Majesty at San Francisco, California; ADOLF BADER, Consul for the Grand Duchy of Baden at New-Orleans, Louisiana; AUBY FIELD, Vice-Consul of Brazil at San Francisco, California; JAMES W. MCDONALD, Vice-Consul of Brazil at Savannah, Georgia, and GIOVANA LUIGI CELLA, Consular Agent of Italy for the State of Illinois, to reside at Chicago.

STATE REPRESENTATION IN THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

A bill "To regulate the representation of certain States in the Electoral College bill" will be laid before the President to-morrow. The constitutional limit will expire on the 23d instant. Congress will not adjourn *sine die* until the bill shall become a law by the required two-thirds vote over the President's veto, which is anticipated.

STATIONERY CONTRACT.

The stationery contract for supplying the Department of State and Consular bureau, has again been awarded to PHILIP & SOLOMON of this city.

CHANNEL OF THE DELAWARE RIVER.

The Secretary of War has transmitted to the House of Representatives a petition of the Board of Marine Underwriters, Shipowners, Masters and Pilots of the port of Philadelphia, referred to the War Department by the honorable Secretary of the Treasury, for the removal of certain obstructions (being two sunken vessels) from the main ship channel in the Delaware River, together with a report upon the subject by the Chief of Engineers, in which an appropriation of $6,000 for the removal of one of the obstructions is recommended.

PROCLAMATION.

The President Declares the Ratification of the Fourteenth Amendment by North Carolina.

By the President of the United States of America:

PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, By an act of Congress, entitled an act to admit the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama and Florida to representation in Congress, passed on the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, it is declared that it is made the duty of the President within ten days after receiving official information of the ratification by the Legislature of either of said States of a proposed amendment to the Constitution, known as article fourteen, to issue a proclamation announcing that fact; and, whereas, the said act seems to be prospective; and, whereas, a paper purporting to be a resolution of the Legislature of Florida, adopting the amendment of the thirteenth and fourteenth articles of the Constitution of the United States, was received at the Department of State on the 16th of June, 1868, prior to the passage of the act of Congress referred to, which paper is attested by the names of HORATIO JENKINS, Jr., as President *pro tem.* of the Senate, and W. W. MOORE as Speaker of the Assembly, and of WM. L. ALTHORP as Secretary of the Senate, and WM. FORSYTH BYRUM as Clerk of the Assembly, and which paper was transmitted to the Secretary of State in a letter dated "Executive Office, Tallahassee, Fla., June 10, 1868," from HARRISON REED, who therein signs himself Governor; and whereas, on the 9th day of July, 1868, a paper was received by the President, which paper, being addressed to the President, bears date of the 4th of July, 1868, and was transmitted by and under the name of W. W. HOLDEN, who therein writes himself Governor of the State of North Carolina, which paper certifies that the said proposed amendment, known as article 14th, did pass the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of North Carolina on the 2d day of July instant, and is attested by the names of JOHN H. BOWER, (or BOWER,) as Secretary of the House of Representatives, and T. A. BYRNES, as Secretary of the Senate; and its ratification on the 4th of July, 1868, is attested by TOD. R. CALDWELL, as Lieutenant-Governor, President of the Senate, and J. W. HOLDEN, as Speaker of the House of Representatives;

Now, therefore, be it known, that I, ANDREW JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, in compliance with, and execution of, the act of Congress aforesaid, do issue this proclamation announcing the fact of the ratification of the said amendment by the Legislature of the State of North Carolina in the manner hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed these presents with my hand, and have caused the seal of the United States to be hereto affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this eleventh day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and of [L. S.] the independence of the United States of America the ninety-third.

ANDREW JOHNSON.

By the President:
WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

ALASKA.

Reported Discovery of Gold—Perils and Ultimate Success of a Party of Oregon Miners.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sunday, July 12.

The Consul of the United States at Victoria, Vancouver Island, writes to the Secretary of State, May 18, as follows:

SIR: The English sloop *Leonda*, just in from the northern coast, reports the loss of the American schooner *Louisa Downs*, of Port Townsend, W. T., with all the passengers and crew.

The *Louisa Downs* was chartered in this port about the 1st of April last, by a party of miners from the State of Oregon, to go to Sitka River, Alaska Territory. From this port the *Downs* went to Port Townsend to lay in provisions and mining implements for the expedition. The crew consisted of Capt. P. SULLIVAN, owner, and three seamen; and the party chartering the vessel, whose names are unknown, numbering nine, all experienced miners.

The captain of the *Leonda* reports the vessel as having been wrecked during a severe gale of wind on Queen Charlotte's Sound. The Indians in the vicinity had found several bodies; the captain found and buried three.

This expedition was being led by an old and experienced mariner named "Frenchie," who had prospected the Sitka River country the previous season, and had found therein a rich gold field. So confident are miners who know "Frenchie" in his statements that another expedition is being organized for the Sitka River country, and will sail in a few days.

The Consul also writes to the Secretary of State, June 6, 1868, as follows:

SIR: By the arrival to-day at this port of the United States ship-of-war *Jamestown*, from Sitka, we learn of the safety of the party of miners and explorers, referred to in my dispatch as having been lost on the schooner *Louisa Downs*, and of their success in discovering a rich gold field in Alaska Territory.

Two days before the sailing of the *Jamestown* (29th May) report came down from the Taquo country that the party reported as lost had struck very rich gold diggings on the Taquo River, and that they were picking up gold in lumps. The report was believed in Sitka and every available water craft was being brought into requisition to convey adventurers to the spot.

Nothing had been heard of the *Louisa Downs*. It is supposed she was lost on her downward trip.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant.

ALLEN FRANCIS.

Strange Poisoning Case in Washington County.

The Washington County *People's Journal*, published at Union Village, narrates the following singular case of poisoning:

"One week ago last Wednesday morning, EDWIN STEVENS and wife, IRA STEVENS, Jr., and ALBERT STEVENS, residing near this village, were taken suddenly ill. Mrs. STEVENS and ALBERT recovered in a short time, so that nothing was thought of it, but all supposed that EDWIN and IRA were suffering from the effects of a sun-stroke. They were sick for a few days, but were almost well enough to attend to their customary duties, when yesterday all four were again taken sick, with symptoms similar to those before. Dr. GRAY, who had been in attendance, thought he detected signs of poison, and therefore analyzed the coffee drank by the sick ones, finding arsenic therein. As we go to press we have not learned the condition of the sick ones, and there is great mystery enveloping the whole matter."

DETECTIVE BAKER.—The newspaper statements that Gen. L. C. BAKER died worth $200,000 are entirely incorrect. So far from having that amount, he left nothing whatever, and his family are in destitute circumstances. His unfortunate hotel enterprise at Lansing, Mich., swept away all his property, including the receipts from his book, and the copyright to the same. He has been in declining health for more than a year, and his spirits have been much depressed by his pecuniary embarrassments and the failure of his expectations to receive what he considered justly due him for his services in the arrest of the assassin of LINCOLN.—*Washington Star, July 6.*

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.—Prof. CHARLES J. STILLE has been elected Provost of the University, *vice* GOODWIN, resigned. We observe with pleasure the selection of one of our townsmen as the head of an institution in which the people of our city and State should feel an interest. Mr. STILLE is a gentleman of high character and capacity, and has, during some years of service as Professor, exhibited qualifications which fully warrant the action of the Trustees in placing the institution under his charge.—*Philadelphia Age, July 10.*

BROTHERS IN UNITY.—A centennial celebration of the founding of the Society of Brothers in Unity in Yale College will be held on Wednesday, July 22, of Commencement week. An oration is to be delivered by Bishop CLARK, of Providence, R. I., and a poem by THEODORE BACON, Esq., of Rochester, N. Y., in the afternoon of that day. There will be also a meeting of the graduates of the Society in its hall, and in the evening a reception and collation in the Street Art Building. All graduates of the Society are earnestly invited to attend.

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Going to Boston.

Dr. R. C. PERRY, Dermatologist, No. 49 Bond-st., will positively close his office in this City 31st inst., for two months, and will open his Boston office Saturday, Aug. 3. Therefore, those afflicted with black worms or grubs, unnatural red noses or pimply eruptions on the face, or moles, worts and warts, or dandruff, itching and sore heads,

Library of the Late Dr. Duffield of Detroit—Some of the Works it Contains.

From the Detroit Advertiser, July 10.

Undoubtedly the most valuable of the private libraries of this city is that of the late Rev. Dr. GEO. DUFFIELD. It comprised no less than 2,372 bound volumes, and 1,161 that are unbound, a total of 3,533, all valuable. The folios are 50, quartos 225, octavos 500. Old books are numerous, there being six editions of from 1571 to 1600, and fully 40 from 1600 to 1900. Twenty different languages are represented, and there are 40 vellum bindings. Among rare editions are STEPHENS of 1568, ELZEVIR of 1634, MILLS of 1723, and others. Among costly works, *Sinai Photographed*, by Rev. CHARLES FORSTER; G. DUFFIELD, D. D., Detroit, Mich., U. S., N. A., being noted as the only American subscriber resident in this country; LOUDON'S *Encyclopedia of Gardening*; DOWNING'S *Fruit and Fruit Trees*; NOAH WEBSTER'S *History of Epidemics*, &c., &c.

Many books contain valuable autographs, among them one of COTTON MATHER, several of JOHN M. MASON, D. D., autographs of his father, grandfather, and great grandfather, all bearing the same name as himself, and of BICKERSTETH, a noted English clergyman who died in 1850. Each volume in the library also contains either an autograph of Dr. DUFFIELD himself, or a fac simile of his autograph which he had prepared for this purpose, with the family motto, "*Deo, reipublicæ et amicis.*"

The division of the library in respect to subjects is as follows: Theology, 1,400; scientific works 200; literary, 200; classical, 100; historical, 150; encyclopedias, 125. Among the theological works are 250 on prophecy, 100 on ethnography, and fifty on Romanism. This department is also especially rich in books on sacred geography, as well as the usual standing authorities. In the scientific department, books which attracted most the attention of Dr. DUFFIELD, were those on meteorology, agriculture, climate, storms, volcanoes. Also works on fruits, flowers and grapes abound, and pigs, poultry, bees and silk worms evidently received no little consideration from him, judging from the number of volumes treating of them which are gathered in the library. His favorite literature was the British classics and the *Edinburgh* and *Quarterly Reviews*, of which last he seems to have had a full set. The solitary novel in the library was the *Wandering Jew*, and that, no doubt, he read more as a theologian than as others read it.

But beyond all question the most striking feature in the library is the number of copies of the Holy Bible. Apart from the best commentators on each particular book, his deep and enthusiastic attachment to the Bible itself led him to multiply copies and editions. The following is a list of them:

One Polyglott Bible, 5 vols., Heb., Gr., Lat., Gor., Syor & Thecles, 1847; Michaelis Hebrew Bible, 1720; Hebrew Bible, 3 vols., 1683; Hebrew Bible of Simonis, 1752; Hebrew Bible, Hahn, 1831; Hebrew Bible, Bagster; New Testament in Greek; New Testament, Stephens, 2 vols., 1568; New Testament, Pritie, 1703; New Testament, Elzevir, 1624; New Testament, Luke and Acts, 1618; New Testamen', Mills, pp. 632, fol., 1723; New Testament, Ed. Prima Americana, 1809; New Testament, Griesbacchi, 2 vols., 1809; New Testament, Leimdon, 1823; New Testament, Greenfield, 1829; New Testament, Bagster; Bible in Chinese; Bible in Welsh, 1808; Bible in German, 1814; Bible in Arabic, Bible in English, 10 editions.

His favorite Bible for reading was STIERS' Polyglott, in which each morning he read a chapter in the four different languages. His study Bible, with which he was so familiar that he could put his finger at once upon that portion of the page where the verse desired was to be found was CAMPBELL'S, Edinburgh, 1790. In the Bible he used in family worship were the following entries, showing the time when he commenced reading it, according to his invariable custom in regular course: April 15, 1843; April 30, 1845; April 12, 1847; Feb. 1, 1849; Feb. 17, 1851; March 4, 1854; March 5, 1856; April 30, 1858; April 1, 1866; April 11, 1862; April 13, 1862; April 14, 1863; April 18, 1868.

The oldest book in the library is an illuminated vellum manuscript of the Latin vulgate, written A. D. 930, and now 938 years old.

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NO. 44 WALL-ST.

BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

WE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO
FUNDING 7.30 TREASURY LOANS.

All series taken in exchange for 5-20 BONDS. Returns made to correspondents without delay, and on favorable terms.

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NEW-YORK, Saturday, July 11, 1868.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered '81	103¾	103¾	5-20 C., '67, new	108¾	109
Coupon, 1881	113¾	113¾	5-20 Coupon, '65	108¾	109
5-20 Reg., 1862	109¾	109¾	10-40 Registered	107¾	107¾
5-20 Coupon, '62	113¾	113¾	10-40 Coupon	107¾	107¾
5-20 Coupon, '64	110¾	110¾	Gold		
5-20 Coupon, '65	111¾	111¾	June	108¾	108¾
5-20 C., '65, new	108¾	108¾	July, 7.30	108¾	108¾

ALL CLASSES OF UNITED STATES FUNDS

Credited or Remitted for on Receipt, at Market Rates, FREE OF ALL COMMISSION CHARGES.

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Buy and Sell all issues of

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at MARKET RATES, and EXCHANGE

7-30 Notes, July 11, 1868, as follows:

For JUNE NOTES we give the NEW 5-20 BONDS, and pay $38 97 DIFFERENCE.

For JULY NOTES we give the NEW 5-20 BONDS, and pay $32 77 DIFFERENCE

ON EACH $1,000.

No. 12 Wall-st., New-York.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,

BANKERS,

NO. 27 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Traveler's use available in all parts of the world.

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange on usual commission.

Interest allowed on deposits.

EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

NO. 170 BROADWAY.

NEW-YORK, June 25, 1868.

At an election held on the 24th inst., the following-named gentlemen were duly elected Directors of the Exchange Fire Insurance Company for the ensuing year:

JAMES VAN NORDEN, DANIEL B. PIERSON,
WILLIAM K. THORN, CHARLES BUTT,
JOHN T. B. MAXWELL, WILLIAM P. COLLEDGE,
WILLIAM S. FAITOUTE, WM. T. LONGWORTH,
JOHN RANDALL, RICHARD C. COMBES,
ELISHA BROOKS, THOMAS B. PEET,
JOHN W. AMERMAN, JNO. G. GOTTSBERGER,
A. M. BININGER, SAMUEL RAYNOR.
EDMUND HURRY,

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held this day, JAMES VAN NORDEN, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

RICHARD C. COMBES, Secretary.

COLUMBUS, CHICAGO AND INDIANA CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 57 BROADWAY.
NEW-YORK, July 10, 1868.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF THE FOLLOWING FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS:

Columbus and Indianapolis Central R. W. Co., due Nov. 1, 1904.
Toledo, Logansport and Burlington R. R. Co., due Feb. 1, 1894.
Union and Logansport R. R. Co., due Dec. 1, 1905.
Cincinnati and Chicago Air Line R. R. Co., due Aug. 1, 1890.
Cincinnati and Chicago Air Line R. R. Co. (Sinking Fund), due Nov. 1, 1886.
Chicago and Great Eastern R. W. Co., due Oct. 1, 1893.
Chicago and Great Eastern R. W. Co. (convertible,) due April 1, 1895.

The above roads having been consolidated into one corporation, under the name of the "Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central Railway Company," the new Company has executed a trust mortgage to James A. Roosevelt and William B. Fosdick, of New-York, Trustees, covering all the roads, with the franchises and present and future acquired property, to secure an issue of Consolidated First Mortgage Sinking Fund Bonds, payable in forty years (April 1, 1908,) as seven per cent. bonds, dated October 1st, 1868, and the object being to consolidate all the above issues of bonds into one class.

The Union Trust Company of New-York (No. 73 Broadway) has been appointed the Company's Bond Fund Commissioner, and is authorized to exchange the new bonds for any of the above issues.

Copies of the mortgage and further particulars can be obtained at the office of the Union Trust Company, or at this office.

Parties exchanging bonds will have the difference of interest adjusted.

B. E. SMITH, President.

TO THE HOLDERS AND OWNERS OF the coupon notes of the St. Louis, Jacksonville and Chicago Railroad Company, bearing date July 1, 1867.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the terms and provisions of the indenture executed by the St. Louis, Jacksonville and Chicago Railroad Company, to George W. Wood and Robert Hale, Trustees, on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1867, that all the promissory notes of said Railroad Company therein described and thereby secured and numbered, as follows, viz.:

Nos. one to forty inclusive, for $5,000 each; Nos. forty-one to two hundred and forty inclusive, for $1,000 each, will be paid together with the accrued interest thereon, on presentation at the office of M. Kellogg & Co., No. 13 Pine-st., New-York City, on and after the 15th day of August, A. D. 1868, and from and after said last mentioned date all of said notes will cease to draw interest, and the said St. Louis, Jacksonville and Chicago Railroad Company will no longer pay interest on the same. By order of the Board of Directors.

D. H. HOWARD,
Secretary and Treasurer St. L. J. and C. R. R. Co.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK CITY CENTRAL UNDERGROUND RAILWAY COMPANY.—NOTICE.—The Board of Directors of the New-York City Central Underground Railway Company hereby give notice that they will open books for subscription to the capital stock of said Corporation, at the office of BROWN BROTHERS & CO., No. 59 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on TUESDAY, the 4th day of August next; and the said books will remain open for at least thirty days thereafter, that those who desire to subscribe for said stock may have the opportunity to do so; and in the event of a larger amount being subscribed than the capital stock of said Corporation, then such subscriber shall be entitled to a pro rata number of shares of said stock as near as may be, and in proportion to the amount so subscribed. Each subscriber shall at the time of subscribing pay to the Treasurer five per cent. of the par value of each share so subscribed by him.

W. B. OGDEN, President.
HENY F. VAIL, Secretary.
NEW-YORK July 10, 1868.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY,
OFFICE No. 227 SOUTH 6TH-ST.,
PHILADELPHIA, MAY 27, 1868.

NOTICE TO THE HOLDERS OF BONDS of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, due April 1, 1870:

The Company offer to exchange any of these bonds of $1,000 each at any time before the 1st day of October next at par for a new mortgage bond of equal amount bearing 7 per cent. interest, clear of United States and State taxes, having 25 years to run.

The bonds not surrendered on or before the 1st of October next will be paid at maturity in accordance with their tenor.

S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

TOLEDO CITY (OHIO) BONDS ISSUED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES; also, ILLINOIS COUNTY BONDS, which will pay TEN PER CENT. INTEREST on the investment, and are considered FIRST-CLASS SECURITIES. For sale by GEO. C. DUNBAR, No. 7 Wall-st.

FINANCIAL.

WEST SIDE AND YONKERS PATENT (ELEVATED) RAILWAY COMPANY.

The undersigned Stockholders of the West Side and Yonkers Patent Railway Company have been appointed a Committee to notify the Stockholders that the Certificate of the Secretary of State has been received, announcing officially the fact of the full approval of the experimental section by the Commissioners and Governor, and the consequent vesting of permanent rights and franchises in this Company, according to law, and to request a full and punctual attendance of the Company at the annual meeting, to be held on Monday, the 13th instant, at 12 o'clock, at No. 96 Liberty-st., with a view to provide for its immediate construction.

The undersigned have full confidence in the practical success of the enterprise, and believe that it will meet the great public necessity for rapid transit in this City, and prove remunerative to the capital invested in it.

W. S. GURNEE, WM. R. DODGE,
SAM'L D. BABCOCK, WM. H. APPLETON,
DAVID DOWS, S. M. PETTENGILL,
D. CRAWFORD, JR., JOHN H. HALL,
R. P. GETTY, GEO. S. COE,
E. W. DUNHAM, A. S. BARNES,
W. H. FOGG, MORRIS K. JESSUP,
JAS. H. BENEDICT.

NEW-YORK, July 9, 1868.

A MEETING OF THE BONDHOLDERS of the Staten Island Horse Railroad Company will be held at the office of CHRISTIE & CHAPMAN, No. 57 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th inst., at 3 P. M.

SAVINGS BANKS.

WILLIAMSBURG SAVINGS BANK.

Corner South 3d and 4th sts., Brooklyn, E. D., (late Williamsburg, L. I.)

Depositors are hereby notified that a semi-annual interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all sums of three dollars and upward, that shall have been deposited three months on the first day of July next, will be paid to depositors on or after MONDAY, July 20.

FREE FROM GOVERNMENT TAX.

Interest not called for will be passed to the credit of depositors as principal, and draw interest from July 1. Deposits made on or before the 10th day of July will draw interest from the 1st.

The Bank is open for business daily (Sundays and holidays excepted) on MONDAYS and SATURDAYS, from 3 to 7 o'clock P. M., and on TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS and FRIDAYS, from 10 A. M. until 2 P. M. GEORGE RICARD, President

WILLIAM WALL,
NATHANIEL BRIGGS, } Vice-Presidents.
SAMUEL W. TRUSLOW, Secretary.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS INSTITUTION,

No. 3 CHAMBERS-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1868.

INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 7 PER CENT.

per annum on sums of $500 and under. 6 per cent. on sums over that amount which have remained on deposit for three and six months previous to the 1st day of July, 1868, will be paid on demand after the 19th of July.

Interest not called for will draw interest from the 1st day of July.

Bank open daily from 10 o'clock A. M. till 3 o'clock P. M., and on Thursdays from 10 A. M. till 7 P. M.

WILLIAM H. SLOCUM, President.
CHAS. A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

SIX PER CENT., FREE FROM GOVERNMENT TAX.

THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
CORNER 2D-AV. AND 26TH-ST.,
NEW-YORK, June 25, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—A Semi-annual Dividend, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, (free from Government tax,) on all sums from $1 to $5,000, will be paid on and after the 15th July.

DEPOSITS made on or before July 20 will draw interest from the 1st. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, from 6 to 8 o'clock.

SPENCER K. GREEN, President.
WM. B. BIBBINS, Secretary.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

NO 96 WARREN-ST.

DIVIDEND.—A semi-annual dividend, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, free from Government tax) on all sums from $1 to $5,000, will be paid on and after the third Monday in July.

Deposits made on or before July 20 will draw interest from the 1st. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

WALTER H. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

No. 283 Bowery.

Six per cent. interest (free from tax) allowed on all sums of from $5 to $10,000.

Deposits made on or before July 20 will draw interest from July 1.

Open daily from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 to 7.

GERMAN SPOKEN.

On and after Aug. 1, 1868, this Bank will be open daily from 10 A. M. to 2 P., and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 to 7.

ALFRED T. CONKLIN, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,

CHATHAM-SQUARE, NEW-YORK.

The usual Dividend, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, free from tax, will be paid to depositors on and after July 20, 1868. Dividends not withdrawn will be credited and will draw interest same as principal. Deposits made now draw interest from July 1. SIX PER CENT. interest, free from tax, allowed on all sums from $1 to $5,000.

HARRISON HALL, President.
J. D. BAILEY, Treasurer.
J. P. COOPER, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,

Nos. 1 and 3 3d-av., New-York, opposite Cooper Institute.

THE USUAL DIVIDEND, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, free from tax, will be paid to depositors on and after July 15, 1868.

DIVIDENDS not withdrawn will draw interest from July 1.

DEPOSITS made on or before July 20 will draw interest from the 1st.

SIX PER CENT., free from tax, on ALL SUMS from $5 to $5,000. No. 12 Wall-st., New-York.

EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

NO. 170 BROADWAY.

NEW-YORK, June 25, 1868.

At an election held on the 24th inst., the following-named gentlemen were duly elected Directors of the Exchange Fire Insurance Company for the ensuing year:

JAMES VAN NORDEN, DANIEL B. PIERSON,
WILLIAM K. THORN, CHARLES BUTT,
JOHN T. B. MAXWELL, WILLIAM P. COLLEDGE,
WILLIAM S. FAITOUTE, WM. T. LONGWORTH,
JOHN RANDALL, RICHARD C. COMBES,
ELISHA BROOKS, THOMAS B. PEET,
JOHN W. AMERMAN, JNO. G. GOTTSBERGER,
A. M. BININGER, SAMUEL RAYNOR.
EDMUND HURRY,

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held this day, JAMES VAN NORDEN, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

RICHARD C. COMBES, Secretary.

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W. B. OGDEN, President.
HENY F. VAIL, Secretary.
NEW-YORK July 10, 1868.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY,
OFFICE No. 227 SOUTH 6TH-ST.,
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DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

OFFICE OF

CONTINENTAL INSURANCE CO.,

No. 102 Broadway,

New-York, July 9, 1868.

Cash Capital - - -	$500,000 00
Gross Surplus - -	1,512,622 50
Total Assets - - -	2,012,622 50

This Company has this day declared a dividend of

FIFTY PER CENT.

to its customers upon the premiums earned during the year ending 1st instant, on all policies entitling the holders to participate in the profits of the Company's business, and scrip will be issued on the 15th day of September to policy-holders for the amounts to which they are respectively entitled.

ALSO,

A CASH DIVIDEND for the payment in full of the scrip issued in 1862, with SIX per cent. interest thereon, payable Aug. 5, next.

ALSO,

A CASH INTEREST DIVIDEND OF SIX PER CENT. on outstanding scrip for the years 1863, '64, '65, '66, '67, payable on the 15th day of September.

Scrip Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 15th day of September.

ALSO,

A SEMI-ANNUAL CASH DIVIDEND OF EIGHT PER CENT. upon the capital of the Company, payable to the stockholders, or their legal representatives, on and after FRIDAY, 10th instant.

CYRUS PECK, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.

STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

No. 96 Broadway.

CAPITAL $200,000 00
SURPLUS 83,301 55

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of

FIVE PER CENT.,

free of Government tax, payable on and after July 1.

M. M. BRADLEY, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, June 30, 1868.

EIGHTIETH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE NORTH AMERICAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

No. 114 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, July 7, 1868.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

F. H. CARTER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE GLOBE FIRE INSURANCE CO.
CORNER GREENWICH AND FULTON STS.,
NEW-YORK, July 9, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT., free from Government tax, payable on demand.

ALFRED A. REEVES, Secretary.

TWENTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 237 BROADWAY, July 1, 1868.

A semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent. has been declared payable on demand, free of Government tax.

GEO. ALGER, Secretary.

COLUMBIA OIL COMPANY,

PITTSBURG, July 8, 1868.

The Board of Directors of the Columbia Oil Company have this day declared a dividend, No. 30, of six (6) per cent. on the capital stock, payable on and after Monday, 13th.

A. F. McGREW, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD CO.,
NEW-YORK, June 11, 1868.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of this Company, held this day, it was

Resolved, That a dividend of 5 per cent. in cash, free of Government tax, be paid on the 1st day of July next to the holders of the full paid shares registered on the 13th day of July next, and that the transfer books be closed on the said 13th day of July, and opened on the 8th day of August following.

Resolved That in pursuance of the plan approved at the shareholders' meeting, May 27, 1868, the shares of this Company be increased from 50,000 to 100,000 shares, for every one hundred now outstanding, and the same be distributed to the holders of shares registered on the Company's books on the 1st day of August next, in the proportion of one share for every twelve and one-half shares then held by them.

Resolved, That where, in the distribution of such shares, a stockholder would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Company will retain such fraction and will pay therefor.

THOMAS E. WALKER, Treasurer.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY,
OFFICE No. 227 SOUTH 4TH-ST.,
PHILADELPHIA, June 25, 1868.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—DIVIDEND OF Five per Cent. has been declared on the Preferred and Common stock, clear of National and State taxes, payable in Common Stock on and after July 15 to the holders thereof as they shall appear entered in the books of the Company on the 30th inst. All payable at this office.

The transfer books of this Company will be closed on Tuesday, June 30, and be reopened on Thursday, July 16, 1868.

S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

PITTSBURG, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY COMPANY.—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, PITTSBURG, June 26, 1868.—The Board of Directors of this Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend (No. 18) of 2½ per cent., free of Government tax, on the capital stock, and semi-annual dividend (No. 16) of 3½ per cent., free of Government tax, on the third mortgage bonds, payable on and after Friday, 17th day of July proximo, at the office of Winslow, Lanier & Co., No. 27 Pine-st., New-York, to those registered at New-York, and at the office of the Treasurer to those registered at Pittsburg.

The transfer books will close on Tuesday, the 30th instant, at 2 P. M., and reopen on Saturday, 18th.

P. M. HUTCHINSON, Secretary.

BUFFALO AND ERIE RAILROAD COMPANY,
TREASURER'S OFFICE, 241 WASHINGTON-ST.,
BOSTON, July 10, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have declared a dividend of Four per Cent. free of Government tax, payable at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company on and after the first day of August next.

The transfer books will be closed on the 20th instant and opened on the 1st proximo.

GEO. H. CHASE, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF NEW-YORK EQUITABLE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 58 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, July 6, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Eight per Cent. on the capital stock, free from Government tax, payable on and after the 11th inst.

JOHN MILLER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE RELIEF FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 149 BROADWAY, CORNER OF LIBERTY-ST.,
NEW-YORK, July 8, 1868.

TWENTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable to the stockholders on demand.

W. E. CRARY, Secretary.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 48 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, July 2, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of Seven per Cent., payable on and after the 8th inst., free of Government tax.

J. M. TOMPKINS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 156 Broadway.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND HAS been declared, payable on and after the 6th inst., free of tax.

WASHINGTON POST, Jr., Acting Secretary.

NEW-YORK, July 1, 1868.

OFFICE EMPIRE CITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, July 1, 1868.

THIRTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors has declared a dividend of Seven per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

WM. A. BURTIS, Jr., Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 41 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, July 8, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., payable on demand, free from Government tax.

WM. RAYNOR, Secretary.

YONKERS AND NEW-YORK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 161 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, July 2, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five (5) per Cent., free of tax, payable on and after July 1.

JOHN W. MURRAY, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE MERCANTILE FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 194 Broadway, NEW-YORK, June 26, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five (5) per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after July 1, 1868.

WM. A. ANDERSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE NASSAU FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF BROOKLYN, No. 10 Court-st., June 30, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Ten (10) per Cent. on the capital stock, free from Government tax, payable on demand.

THOS. B. JONES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ARCTIC FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 104 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 8, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of Five per Cent., (free of Government tax,) payable to the stockholders or their legal representatives on demand.

CHAS. BAMBURGH, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE TRADESMAN'S FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 168 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, July 7, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT., payable on and after the 10th inst., free of tax.

H. Y. BROWN, Secretary.

OFFICE OF HOWARD INSURANCE CO.,
No. 66 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, June 24, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. on the capital stock, free from Government tax, payable on and after July 1, 1868.

THEODORE KEELER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUMBOLDT FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 140 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 8, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

A. WILEY, Secretary.

OFFICE OF IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 100 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, 7th July, 1868.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

DANIEL A. SMITH, Secretary.

OFFICE CITIZENS' INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 156 Broadway, July 8, 1868.

DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF TEN PER Cent., free of Government tax, is payable on demand.

E. A. WALTON, Secretary.

THE TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, June 19, 1868.

DIVIDEND OF SIX (6) PER CENT., free of all taxes, will be paid on and after July 1.

ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

DIVIDENDS.

THIRTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF PACIFIC FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
Nos. 47½ BROADWAY AND 72 WALL-ST.
NEW-YORK, July 6, 1868.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Eight (8) per Cent. free of Government tax, payable on the 10th inst.

Condition of Company July 1, 1868:

Cash Capital	$200,000 00
Surplus	179,060 64
Capital and Surplus	$379,060 64

T. F. JEREMIAH, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE LONG ISLAND INSURANCE CO.,
No. 151 MONTAGUE-ST.,
BROOKLYN, July 8, 1868.

DIVISION OF PROFITS.

A stockholders' dividend of 8 per cent., free of tax, has this day been declared payable on demand.

ALSO, A SCRIP DIVIDEND OF 60 PER CENT., free of tax, to customers entitled to participate in the profits of the Company, for which certificates will be issued Aug. 15.

ALSO, AN INTEREST DIVIDEND OF 6 PER CENT. on the outstanding scrip of the Company, payable on demand.

WM. W. HENSHAW, Secretary.

LORILLARD FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

NO. 152 BROADWAY.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

JOHN C. MILLS, Secretary.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.

A dividend of Five Per Cent., free of Government tax, has been declared out of the profits of last five months, payable on the 1st day of August next, at No. 122 Bowery.

WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.

THE BANK FOR SAVINGS, July 8, 1868.

THE TRUSTEES HAVE THIS DAY declared a dividend, or interest, under the provisions of the By-Laws, for the last six months as follows:

At the rate of five per cent. per annum on all sums of five, and under five hundred dollars, and of four per cent. on all sums amounting to five hundred dollars and upward.

This interest is carried at once to the pass books at any time when required, on and after the third Monday, 20th of this month.

ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—THE BANK OF KENTUCKY has declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE PER CENT., payable at the Bank of America to New-York stockholders on demand.

INSTRUCTION.

MADAME C. MEARS,

No. 202 Madison-av.,

Will reopen her

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MISS ARMSTRONG'S

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No. 20 East 38th-st., New-York,

will reopen Monday, Sept. 21. Miss ARMSTRONG will be at home on Sept. 1. All letters or applications will be attended to at the above address.

MRS. OGDEN HOFFMAN'S

English and French Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies, No. 17 West 38th-st., New-York, will reopen on Monday, Sept. 28. Applications for circulars or admission of pupils can be made to her at the above. Mrs. Hoffman will return to the City on Sept. 20.

MR. VAN NORMAN'S

ENGLISH AND FRENCH FAMILY AND DAY SCHOOL for young ladies, No. 5 West 38th-st., New-York, will reopen on THURSDAY, Sept. 24. For full information see circular. Address as above.

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4:30 P. M., Northport passenger train and all way-stations except Willow Tree.

6 P. M., North Islip passenger train and all way-stations.

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8 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av. through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting at Canandaigua with sleeping-cars for the West, via either North or South Shore Line.

11 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Albany, Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

12:30 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains for the West, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

3:45 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

4:45 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; and at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping-cars attached at Albany.

6:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car every day, excepting Saturdays, attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Harlem and R., W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.

11 P. M. train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North. Drawing-room cars attached at Albany.

A freight train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 P. M. Returning, leave Poughkeepsie at 4 A. M., arriving in New-York at 8:40. Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leave Millerton at 4:30 P. M., arriving at New-York at 9:20 P. M.

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8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily for Otisville and intermediate stations.

10 A. M.—Express Mail, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.

3:00 P. M.—Way Train for Middletown and intermediate stations.

4:30 P. M.—Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner and stations west of Turner's, (except Oxford,) to Newburgh, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.

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5:30 P. M.—Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points South and West.

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SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 12 M. for Paterson; 6:20 P. M. Night Express for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca and all points West and South; 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.

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The ALLISON leaves North 8th-st., Williamsburg, at 8 o'clock, Broome-st., East River, at 8:20, 11:20, 2:20. Peck-slip at 8:40; 11:40, 2:40. Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn, at 9:12 o'clock.

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Saturday, July 11, 11 A. M.	Saturday, July 11, 6 P. M.
Sunday, July 12, 8 A. M.	Sunday, July 12, 1:30 P. M.
Monday, July 13, 9 A. M.	Monday, July 13, 1 P. M.
Tuesday, July 14, 10 A. M.	Tuesday, July 14, 2 P. M.
Wednesday, July 15, 11 A. M.	Wednesday, July 15, 3 P. M.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Central Park, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the opening of certain new Avenues, Roads and Public Places or Parks, as laid out by the Commissioners of the Central Park, in the City of New-York.

The Commissioners of the Central Park, in the name and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, pursuant to the act of the Legislature of the people of the State of New-York, entitled—"An act relative to the powers and duties of the Commissioners of the Central Park," passed April 4, 1866, and of the act entitled—"An act to enable the Commissioners of the Central Park to make further improvements in the Central Park," passed April 13, 1866; and of the act entitled—"An act to alter the map or plan of certain portions of the City of New-York, and for the laying out and improvement of the same," passed April 24, 1867, hereby give notice that they intend to apply to the Supreme Court, in the First Judicial District of the State of New-York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, on Friday, the 31st day of July, 1868, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. That the nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the opening of a new avenue eighty feet in width, between the Eighth-avenue and Ninth-avenue, and running from One Hundredth-street to the intersection of the Avenue St. Nicholas and Manhattan-street.

Also a new avenue running diagonally from the new avenue last mentioned, at or near One Hundred and Thirty-second-street to the Ninth-avenue, at One Hundred and Sixteenth-street.

Also a new avenue between Ninth and Tenth avenues, running from One Hundred and Tenth-street to One Hundred and Twenty-second-street.

Also a public place or park between One Hundred and Tenth-street and One Hundred and Twenty-third-street, and intermediate the three new avenues before-mentioned and the Ninth-avenue and Tenth-avenue.

Also a public place, being a triangle formed by the intersections of One Hundred and Fourteenth-street and the first-named two of the above-mentioned new avenues.

Also a public place, being a quadrilateral formed by the intersection of the Avenue St. Nicholas, One Hundred and Twenty-third-street and the first-named of the above-mentioned new avenues, as laid out by the Commissioners of the Central Park in the City of New-York.—Dated New-York, July 7, 1868.

RICHARD O'GORMAN, Counsel to the Corporation.

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THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

Ratification Meeting in Richmond, Va.—Speeches of Gov. Vance and Gov. Wise—"Secession not Dead"—Prospects of the Campaign.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

RICHMOND, Sunday, July 12.

There was a grand ratification meeting here last night at the Theatre. Three thousand people were present. The enthusiasm was grand but entirely Southern. Gov. VANCE spoke at great length, repeating his New-York speech, saying in addition thereto, however, that he could talk more familiarly of the wrongs in the South here than at the North. His idea was that what the Confederacy fought for would be won by the election of SEYMOUR and BLAIR. He was followed by Gov. WISE, whose greatest expression was that he did not care for the platform. It told a lie in its first resolution. It said secession was dead; that was not so; secession was more alive than ever. He supported the nominees, and especially BLAIR, because he had declared that he would assume military power. The General spoke wildly, and denounced the aristocracy, the Know Nothings, and all who, in former times, had opposed the Democracy. He then dramatically seized a Federal officer by the hand, and proclaimed that the Northern and Southern soldiers were firm friends, whereat the house gave boisterous cheers.

MARMADUKE JOHNSON then spoke, declaring that he would meet the issue on the stump, and defeat the infamous Constitution of Virginia.

It was a large meeting, but there were not six negroes present. The Chase people here are despondent and dissatisfied. While they support the nominations, they do not like them. Every Conservative here will support the nominees, although they are not the most popular. The Republicans are rejoiced at the result, and are confirmed in their support of GRANT and COLFAX.

Ex-Gov. Seymour and the Rebel Commissioners—Efforts to Array the State of New-York in Hostility to the Government.

From the Columbus (Ohio) Journal, July 11.

We publish to-day the affidavit of Capt. JAMES SIDNEY HILL, to which allusion has heretofore been made by us. The publication of this important affidavit has been purposely delayed, with the hope and expectation that HORATIO SEYMOUR would be nominated for the Presidency by the Convention at New-York. It will be remembered that when reference was first made to the existence of this testimony, Gov. SEYMOUR exhibited ungovernable rage, and not only took occasion to vouch for his own innocence, but to attack with savage emphasis all officers and agents of the Government who he suspected of having been instrumental in making known to the State Department the nature of his relations with the rebel Commissioners in Canada.

The writer who, in 1864, was Consul of the United States in New-Brunswick, having been appointed to that office by President LINCOLN in September, 1861, had occasion to transmit to the Secretary of State information concerning the movements of the rebel Commissioners, CLAY, THOMPSON, HOLCOMBE, and it especially became his duty to make known to the Government whatever facts were known in the British Provinces concerning the nature of the "mission" of these notorious enemies of the United States. Application will be made to the State Department for copies of the full correspondence on this subject, which, when obtained, will be made public.

The important fact was then well known that the prime purpose that the Davis Government had in sending Commissioners to Canada, was to array the State of New-York in hostility to the Federal Government. Capt. HILL'S testimony establishes beyond question the fact that such was the confidence reposed in HORATIO SEYMOUR, then Governor of New York, that the rebel chief did not hesitate to address him on a subject which they knew was dear to his heart—the triumph of the Confederacy, and opened confidential correspondence with him, as with a tried and trusted agent of their own.

CLEMENT C. CLAY, who organized the raiding and piratical expeditions from Canada into the United States, expressed his entire willingness to visit Ogdensburg, N. Y., knowing that SEYMOUR would give him safe conduct throughout his "sovereign State." It will be proved hereafter that CLAY sent dispatches to and received dispatches from Albany, while at Halifax, Quebec and Montreal; that messengers were passing between the rebel Commissioners and the rebel sympathizing Governor, for a period of almost two months; and we believe also that the exact nature of these communications will, ere long, be fully made known. So much by way of explanation today. We shall pursue this subject until the treachery and treason of HORATIO SEYMOUR, the worst and vilest enemy of the Republic, are laid bare. We propose to see the thing through, and shall fight it out on this line.

The following is an exact copy of the original affidavit now on file in the State Department of the United States Government:

AFFIDAVIT OF CAPT. JAMES SIDNEY HILL.

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES, }
ST. JOHN, N. B. }

On this 2d day of June, 1864, personally appeared before me J. Q. HOWARD, United States Consul at St. John, N. B., JAMES SIDNEY HILL, who solemnly made oath to the following facts:

I am now about 28 years of age. I was born in the parish of St. Bernard, La. I am the son of JEROME PHILIP HILL, of New-Orleans, who has always been a devoted Union man. I was educated as a civil engineer at West Point, Va.

In the year 1861, in the month of April, I was carried away by the intense excitement that prevailed in the South and entered the rebel service as captain of a company of volunteers; I served in the rebel army at the first battle of Manassas, at the battles before Richmond, at the time of MCCLELLAN'S advance, and also took part in the battle of Antietam; was wounded in the seven days fight near Richmond; was sent to Savannah as engineer on staff of Gen. GUSTAVUS W. SMITH, and obtained leave of absence to go to Wilmington; from Wilmington I ran the blockade on the steamer *Banshee* to Nassau; my object was to get out of the rebel service and take the oath of allegiance; from Nassau I went to Havana, and there took the oath of allegiance under Mr. LINCOLN'S amnesty proclamation; from Havana I went to St. Thomas with a friend, who was in a dying condition; thence to St. Johns, Porto Rico; I could not get a vessel at Porto Rico for New-Orleans, but obtained passage to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where I expected more readily to get a vessel.

I had been in Halifax about four days, when happening to be at the wharf when the mail steamer *Alpha* arrived from Bermuda, I was accosted at the landing by Hon. C. C. CLAY, of Alabama, whom I accompanied to the Waverly Hotel. Col. DUNCAN, of Louisville, Ky., was in company with us. Mr. CLAY said he was on a little business for the Government, and was on his way to Canada; said that he had great confidence in me; some two hours after this conversation I came to St. John, N. B., hoping to get to New-Orleans by the way of Portland; and on the 1st day of June I again met Mr. CLAY at the steamboat landing. He said he wanted me to come as soon as I could to the Waverly Hotel to see him; about 8 o'clock he sent a boy to the Lawrence Hotel for me, and I went up to the Waverly to Mr. CLAY'S private room.

He said, look here, Captain, I want you to go to Canada; I shall very probably go to Ogdensburg, and as I am not at all well, I need some company; I would have gone to Portland, but I am afraid some one would recognize me. He proposed to take a walk, and after our return, he requested me to come up to the hotel early in the morning (this morning.) He sent for me at half past seven and I went directly up. He took me to his private room and again urged me to go with him.

He took from a pocket in the back of his inside coat, a package containing four or five letters or dispatches; I had one of these documents in my hand; it was addressed to His Excellency, HORATIO SEYMOUR, Governor of the State of New York; another was addressed to Hon. FERNANDO WOOD, New York; on each of these envelopes was printed, Department of State, Richmond, C. S. A., and on the envelope was written a name which I do not remember, but there no doubt it was the name of the present Secretary of State, Said Mr. CLAY, I was sent on a mission to deliver those letters to Gov. SEYMOUR, but I wish they had chosen somebody else; said he, I shall stop in Montreal a few days and then shall probably go to Ogdensburg; he said I shall see Gov. SEYMOUR, but did not say directly that he would see him at Ogdensburg. If my (affiant's) letters (which I was expecting from New-Orleans) came, he would like very much to meet me as Quebec or Montreal. I inferred from Mr. CLAY'S conversation that he wanted me to convey his dispatches to Gov. SEYMOUR.

My intimacy with Mr. CLAY arose from the fact that his son, ROBERT CLAY, was First Lieutenant in my company, Thirteenth Regiment Louisana Volunteers, Col. YORK'S command, Gen. PICKET'S division, LONGSTREET'S corps.

I parted with him saying that I would meet him in Canada, if possible.

(Signed) JAMES SIDNEY HILL.

Sworn before me by said JAMES SIDNEY HILL, and subscribed in my presence this second day of June, 1864.

(Signed) J. Q. HOWARD, United States Consul.

The Passengers on the Morning Star

From the Detroit Tribune, July 11.

On the body of Mr. MORETON the ill-fated and gallant clerk of the *Morning Star*, was found a complete list of the cabin passengers of the vessel on the night she was lost, except one or two who are known to have been on board, but were not registered, as they passed free. Mr. MORETON had torn the leaf from the passage book, and secured it in his pocket, that he might, if possible, save it for the owners and the public. The one or two names referred to above as not entered we have supplied, and there were undoubtedly a few emigrants on board, several of whom were lost in all probability. The following is the list:

J. L. Harris, a German and wife, M. Vaux, Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Chittenden, Mr. Iddings, Mr. Orges, C. H. Radcliffe, T. S. Card, Mr. Gurley, Mrs. Parker, Mr. Byerly, Alf. Smith, E. McDonald, Mr. Andrews, John McDougall, Mrs. Searle, Charles Schreider, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Wamelink, Mr. Pomeroy, the Misses Patchen, J. H. Thorpe, S. A. Thorpe, J. H. Garrett, Mrs. Garrett and daughter, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Chase, John Myer, Wes Stuart, Mr. Newman, Mr. M. Clancy, Capt. Hackett, Mrs. Hackett, Capt. Blanchard, Major Hutchinson.

Penknives and Stationery—Letter from the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

CLERK'S OFFICE, U. S. H. of R., }
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 7, 1868. }

MY DEAR SIR: I thank you for calling my attention to an article you say has been generally published in the Democratic papers in Maine, purporting to be a statement of the number of knives, inkstands, portmonnaies, gold pens, and amount of paper used by the members of the House. The statement purports to have been compiled from the last annual report of the Clerk of the House. The figures given in the article referred to are the grossest exaggeration of the facts—being, on gold pens 28 per cent. in excess of the true figures, on envelopes 30 per cent., on paper over 40 per cent., on portmonnaies over 70 per cent., on erasing knives over 90 per cent., on inkstands over 90 per cent., and on knives over 300 per cent.

The paper used, which is estimated at forty-one reams to each member, includes not only the writing paper used by them, but the wrapping paper in which the hundreds of thousands of copies of the Agricultural and Mechanical Reports, and the Public Documents printed for general distribution, were folded.

I think I understand how these erroneous figures were obtained. In the report alluded to above, the Clerk includes, in one table, all the articles purchased for the use of the House, of every kind and description. In another table, in the same report, he includes all the articles furnished by him, under the law, to the Postmaster of the House, for the use of committees, for the folding of public documents, and for sale to members at the contract prices; and, in another, he includes all the articles consumed in the Clerk's Office, by its various bureaus, in the transaction of the business of the House.

The gentleman who prepared the article referred to, as published in the Maine papers, has added, (and made considerable mistakes in adding,) the stationery items of all these tables together, and has thereby counted as consumed every article bought, and duplicated every article consumed in the Clerk's office! I cannot suppose that this was intentionally done. I know its result is to present a very false statement. The articles bought are in the first table; those consumed in the last two. Making one total of the three, in order to ascertain the number of articles consumed by the members, is a manifest absurdity. But if it were as stated by the editor referred to, the law requires that the article received by them from the Postmaster be changed to their stationery allowance.

You are aware that each Senator and Representative has now an allowance of $125 per session for stationery and newspapers; that the stationery drawn from the Postmaster is charged against that allowance; that if the allowance be not hereby exhausted, the balance is paid them in money; and that this system has always prevailed in Congress, the stationery being thus furnished as a matter of convenience to members at the wholesale prices.

The article referred to, also, accepted the form of the report, as proof of the dishonesty of the clerk.

It is very evident that the writer of the article referred to did not understand the report, or he would not have reached the conclusions he set forth. Whether that was because the report itself is hard to understand, or because he did not try to understand it, is not for me to state. But I may say, in self-vindication, that the form of the report is in precise accordance with the law, and is the same which it has always been prepared since the law requiring it was passed, under every Administration, Democratic, Whig and Republican.

If more particularity be required in order that greater economy may be secured, or more direct accountability and responsibility, no one will be more prompt to respond to the demands of such legislation, than your obedient servant,

ED. MCPHERSON,
Clerk United States House of Representatives.
Hon. JOHN LYNCH, M. C.

The Louisiana Legislative Troubles—Gen. Buchanan's Views.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, }
NEW-ORLEANS, LA., July 7, 1868. }

Hon. W. F. Blackman, F. L. Jewell, B. E. Chancey, L. P. Briant, C. B. Pratt, Committee of the Senate, House of Representatives, New-Orleans, La.;

GENTLEMEN: I am instructed by the Brevet Major-General Commanding to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 1st inst., representing that the presiding officer of the Senate and the temporary Speaker of the House, upon calling their respective bodies together at the date of their meeting, proceeded in violation of the Constitution of the State, and the instructions of the General of the Army and of the Commanding General of the Fifth Military District, to exact of the members the oath prescribed by the act of Congress of July 2, 1862, thereby excluding from seats and from participation in the organization of the General Assembly, members entitled by law to the same.

In conclusion, you "appeal in behalf of the people of Louisiana, for redress, and ask that the Military Commander, by virtue of his authority, place the said excluded members in their seats."

In reply thereto, I am instructed by the Commanding General to say, that while these proceedings in the General Assembly are in his opinion illegal, unjust and oppressive, and known to be in opposition to the will of the General-in-Chief, he deems that the interests of law, of order and of the people of the State in this crisis of their affairs cannot best be subserved by interfering with force of arms to correct the abuses complained of. The restoration of the State to its proper relations in the Union is, by act of Congress, contingent upon the ratification by a legally constituted and organized (no other could have been contemplated) Legislature. The entire matter then may well be submitted to Congress for its decision and action.

Your communication, therefore, with a copy of this letter, will be forwarded to the General of the Army and to the Chairman of the Reconstruction Committee at Washington.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

B. B. KEELER, Brevet Major U. S. A.,
Assistant Secretary of Civil Affairs.

The Robbery on the Hudson River Railroad.

From the Troy Times, July 11.

The train from New-York over the Hudson River Railroad due here at 9:30 last evening, did not arrive until 12:10, in consequence of an accident to the locomotive in the neighborhood of Schodack Landing. While the train was delayed at that point, it seems that one robbery, involving a loss of $60,000, and another of a gold watch and $60 in money, were effected by some parties on board the cars. A. W. GRISWOLD, cashier of the Bank of Burlington, Vt., was the victim in the extensive robbery stated, and the engineer of the train suffered the loss of his watch and the $60. Mr. GRISWOLD left New-York, in company with a friend, with $60,000 in Government bonds in the breast pocket of his coat, and when the train arrived at Schodack, he assured himself of the safety of the money. From that time until his arrival at the Troy House he did not miss the money; but upon registering his name at that hotel, he placed his hands to his breast, and involuntarily exclaimed: "My God, I've been robbed—robbed of $60,000!" Wild with excitement he inquired when he could return to New-York, and upon being informed that a train left Albany at 1:50 this morning, he asked to be conveyed to that city. The hotel porter was dispatched to the stable of B. HICKEY, and in a few minutes Mr. HICKEY had a horse and carriage at the door ready to convey Mr. GRISWOLD to Albany. Less than an hour remained in which to catch the train for New-York; but in just 49 minutes from the time he left the Troy House, Mr. HICKEY deposited GRISWOLD at the Albany depot, going via the bridge, and just in time for him to take the cars for New-York. During the five minutes the victim of this extensive robbery remained at the Troy House, he simply stated that he had been robbed of the money, and had only discovered it upon arriving at the hotel. He was certain that when the accident occurred at Schodack the bonds were in his possession. His friend went on to Burlington this morning.

CONSPIRACY.

Discovery of a Plot to Unseat an Internal Revenue Collector—The Conspirators Caught in Their Own Net—Their Imprisonment in Ludlow-street Jail—How Captain Tapley Spoiled Their Game.

The following communication, addressed by Collector BAILEY, of the Fourth Internal Revenue District, to the Secretary of the Treasury, and the subjoined affidavits, are the first chapter in a story which promises to be an interesting one:

UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, FOURTH DIST. NEW-YORK, }
NEW-YORK, July 9, 1868. }

SIR: I respectfully ask your consideration of the following statement of facts:

It came to my knowledge several weeks ago that certain persons, among whom were one ALVAN BLAISDELL, (formerly connected with the Blaisdell distillery, and now under indictment on proceedings instituted by me;) BERNARD HESS, an Inspector of Internal Revenue, and one POWELSON, formerly a clerk in the Internal Revenue office, and sundry other disreputable characters, whose names will appear in the course of this report, were engaged in an attempt to manufacture evidence on which to base charges against me; BLAISDELL making his headquarters at the room of Special Agent BELKNAP, No. 71 Broadway. POWELSON and HESS are reported to have been engaged for a long time in raising funds from distillers in the Ninth District, and from rectifiers and whisky dealers in the Thirty-second District, and in Brooklyn, who have suffered through my official action, for the purpose of inciting vexatious and defamatory proceedings against me. The first move of HESS and his confederates was, as set forth in that report, to procure one DAVIS, to make a charge of perjury against me, the conclusion of which—after subjecting me to great annoyance and expense—was that Commissioner OSBORN ordered DAVIS under arrest for perjury, on his own testimony, at the conclusion of the hearing, without taking any time for consideration, at the same time honorably discharging me.

HESS, at the conclusion of that proceeding, gave out that he and POWELSON and others would soon have other proceedings against me; but although I heard intimations of the connection of certain Treasury officers with such a scheme, there was nothing definite enough to warrant any action on my part. The first of last week, however, I was approached and told that warrants would be got out against me by Special Agent BELKNAP. Finding at last a responsible head for the proceedings so long threatened, I considered it time to take measures to protect myself from a repetition of the scandal which had attached to the Davis movement.

I therefore requested Capt. F. C. TAPLEY, on July 2, to trace out the connections of the conspiracy, for such I knew it to be from various indications, to go over all of which would make this report too long. Without going into a full detail of the steps and the means by which I became possessed of the facts, the following was ascertained:

The persons acting as outside operators in this scheme are those already named, together with one HARRY JENNESS, a notorious bogus bond broker, one NOYES, and one SOWER, and another person who has furnished money, and who is connected with the conspiracy by the confessions of those arrested and by other testimony. In connection with these operations, there are also other persons, whose names I do not think it well to mention now.

I will say here that Messrs. BROWN HALL & VANDERPOEL have been retained by me for the prosecution of these cases, and that the statements made by me in this report are only of facts, which, after careful examination, can be sustained in court by competent testimony, as advised by my counsel.

The parts played by the individuals above named were as follows: JENNESS, SOWER, POWELSON and NOYES acted as outside runners, concocting the stories to be sworn to by the witnesses, fixing on the names to be used, taking the witnesses before BLAISDELL and BELKNAP, and paying them the sums agreed on for swearing. When taken to BLAISDELL and BELKNAP they were asked what they could swear to, and the story was gone over with them. Then a lawyer was called in to draw the affidavit, and Special Agent BELKNAP administered the oath. All this has been seen and overheard by Capt. TAPLEY and others, and I have now in my possession the money paid to one of the witnesses by JENNESS, and that paid to one of the agents named above, for procuring the witness.

Yesterday, Special Treasury Agent BELKNAP, Dr. BLAISDELL and POWELSON appeared at a United States Commissioner's Office to bring up their witnesses to swear, but the witnesses could not be got to go up stairs, most of them being familiar with the premises and old recollections deterring them from going voluntarily into the presence of a magistrate. An arrangement was then made by which the Commissioner was to go at 3 P. M. to the office of Special Agent BELKNAP, at No. 71 Broadway, to take the affidavits, and at that hour Dr. BLAISDELL called for him and took him in a carriage to that place. Only one witness, however, could be procured to swear—one HARRY SHAW, who swore under the assumed name of JOHN Lamartine, giving also a fictitious residence. On this perjured affidavit, procured by the payment to SHAW of $15, and of other sums to the agents and runners, Special Agent BELKNAP applied for and procured from Commissioner OSBORN a warrant for my arrest, although at the time it issued SHAW was already lying in jail under a warrant issued for the crime of perjury, of the commission of which I had complied evidence, and of which he had already made full confession.

I would now say that I had in advance the real and the false names and residences of all the persons swearing before Special Agent BELKNAP, and that all witnesses swore under assumed names.

Another witness, JOHN HAILE, who had sworn before Agent BELKNAP, under representations made by JENNESS, that swearing before that officer was no oath, declined to swear before the United States Commissioner.

While this was going on, affidavits were made on my behalf before Commissioner STILWELL, who issued his warrant for the arrest of Lamartine. He was taken quietly last night, and is now in Ludlow-street Jail, and has made full confession. Arrangements were made by BELKNAP and BLAISDELL last night to have Commissioner OSBORN go to No. 71 Broadway at 11 A. M. to-day, to swear the rest of the witnesses. Only two could be brought up to swear, and a warrant is already out for their arrest, while others will be arrested for subornation of perjury, and proceedings will be taken against others of the conspirators as soon as the hearing is had before the United States Commissioner.

I have evidence in my possession showing that this is only one move in a concerted scheme for blackmailing, entered into months ago by various parties, the mention of whose names now would tend to defeat the ends of justice, but all of which will be fully exposed in these proceedings. It will be shown that the parties to this scheme were fully aware of the character of the agents they were employing, and of the means used, and of the character of the evidence that they were aiding in concocting; and that the persons engaged in the conspiracy were active in the various ways set forth above.

I beg to make acknowledgment here of the energy, skill and efficiency of Capt. F. C. TAPLEY, of the Northern District of New-York. Mr. TAPLEY happened to come in town at the time this conspiracy came definitely to my knowledge, and on my request he undertook to investigate it. He has followed it day and night, and has shown a degree of acuteness and zeal and fidelity that entitles him to the highest regard and confidence. Capt. TAPLEY has the full confidence of Col. WOOD, the Chief of the Secret Service Division; and it was by Col. WOOD that Mr. TAPLEY was directed to report to me last Spring, and to render to me any assistance of which I might be in need. In working up this matter he has been unaided by any other officer, and he done it in such a manner that there is nothing left to be desired.

I have to request that I be formally authorized to retain Messrs. BROWN, HALL and VANDERPOEL as my attorneys to prosecute the confederation of treasury agents, secret service men, ex-bounty jumpers, bogus bond makers, counterfeiters, perjurers, indicted distillers and professional thieves, whom I now have in a position where they can be brought to justice for the crimes of perjury, subornation of perjury and conspiracy, and ask this with the more confidence since the malignity which inspires these attacks on my good name and official position and conduct is inspired by the services, however humble, which it has been my desire and fortune to render to the department, to my official superiors and to the Government. Moreover, this confederation of rascals is at this moment, as I am advised, backed up in their assaults on the local officers of New-York, by special counsel authorized to be employed for these prosecutions by the Treasury Department itself. I desire to be understood as in no way reflecting on the department in this statement, as I am fully aware that it was for other purposes than those here exposed, that this action was authorized by the honorable Secretary.

It is proper to say that the complaints of these parties never were presented to the District Attorney, nor to the Judge of the United States Commissioner, in the first instance, which is unusual, and out of the ordinary course of business.

On the occasion of the Davis affair, the District Attorney being obliged to appear for the Government, application was made by me for authority to employ counsel, which was denied. Since, however, my innocence has been vindicated, and the malice of the prosecutors exposed, I now renew the application to have my counsel proceed in the matter, as I am sure is in this. It surely cannot be, that when a public officer has made himself obnoxious to a class of law-breakers with whose operations he has interfered, the department will leave him single-handed to sustain himself against not only those who are his natural opponents, but against its own officers who are drawn in to support the purposes of these unlawful combinations, backed up by counsel furnished by the department itself, as well as by the law officers of the Government.

I have now to state that for the last four months I have been necessarily much employed in following out and protecting myself against the machinations of certain officers of the department, who have at their command, and as their familiars, the whole fraternity of crime above enumerated, greatly to the prejudice of the discharge of my official duties, and have taken every opportunity to expose and bring to justice unworthy officers and their associates, I desire and purpose to make an example of the criminals.

I have the honor to be, with great respect,

J. F. BAILEY, Collector.

Hon. H. MCCULLOCH, Secretary of the Treasury.

AFFIDAVIT OF COLLECTOR BAILEY.

United States of America, Southern District of New-York, ss.—JOSHUA F. BAILEY, being duly sworn, says: That he has read the affidavit of F. C. TAPLEY, hereunto annexed; that he has been shown a paper purporting to be and which he believes to be copies of the affidavits which some of the persons named in the affidavit of Mr. TAPLEY are about to swear to; that the charges contained in said affidavits are utterly and totally false and untrue; and deponent is prepared to prove that the proceeding which are now instituted by JENNESS, POWELSON & BLAISDELL, named in affidavit of Mr. TAPLEY, is the result of a conspiracy, the object of which is to blackmail him, and subject him to defamation, annoyance and injury.

J. F. BAILEY.

Sworn to before me; this 8th day of July, 1868.

R. S. STILLWELL, U. S. Com'r.

AFFIDAVIT OF FREDERICK C. TAPLEY.

Southern District of New-York, ss.: FREDERICK C. TAPLEY, being duly sworn, says: That he is informed and verily believes that HARRY JENNESS, assuming the name of James Calvesly, has this day sworn to an affidavit before JOHN A. OSBORN, U. S. Commissioner in and for the said Southern District of New-York, of the tenor set forth in the annexed affidavit of this deponent, and that said affidavit sworn to by said JESSE C. ROWELL, alias James Calverly, is in a proceeding against Collector J. F. BAILEY, and is false and untrue to his knowledge.

F. C. TAPLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of July, 1868.

Southern District of New-York, City and County of New-York, ss.—FREDERICK C. TAPLEY, being duly sworn, deposes and says that if any man representing himself as JOHN LAMARTINE, giving his residence as No. 638 Eighth-avenue, makes affidavit against J. F. BAILEY, Collector Fourth District, New-York, the said affidavit is false, and he is able and ready to prove the same.

Deponent further says that if any man representing himself as HARRY JANETT, giving his residence as No. 50 West Tenth-street, makes affidavit to the same effect as the foregoing, it is also false.

That if any man representing himself as JOHN HAM, living at No. 224 Tenth-avenue, makes affidavit in the same manner as the foregoing, it is false.

That if any man representing himself as JOHN CALVERLY, giving his residence as 406 Canal-street, makes affidavit to the same matter, it is also false and malicious, and this deponent has the evidence in his possession on which to prove these declarations; and deponent further swears, upon information and belief, that there are other persons who are proposing to make affidavits in the same matter, and that all those affidavits are concocted and gotten up by a notorious, bogus bond broker, HARRY JENNESS, and one POWELSON, who are both a constant communication with the occupants of Room No. 71, No. 71 Broadway, to wit: A. A. BELKNAP and ALVAN BLAISDELL, and that those persons, with others, are engaged in a conspiracy to concoct evidence against the said J. F. BAILEY, Collector aforesaid; and deponent further says that he has been engaged in tracing the course of those parties for several days past, and as the result of the examination which deponent has in Government office, has been prosecuting in this matter, he is well satisfied that the names of the persons who make the affidavits as above referred to are not their real names, but fictitious names.

That deponent has ascertained that the name of the person who makes the affidavit as JOHN Lamartine is, in fact, H. SHAW, and resides at No. 138 Greene-street; that the person who gives his name as Charles W. Carter is really named HUBBELL; that the person who gives his name as John Hall is really GEORGE ARMSTRONG. The person who gives his name as John Calverly gives a fictitious name, and deponent is informed and believes that each of the persons proposing to make affidavits in the premises, have received or are to receive $15 each, or some other sum of money for making the same. Deponent further says that he is informed and believes that said ALVAN BLAISDELL is under indictment in the United States Court of the District, for fraudulent distillation, upon complaint of said BAILEY.

Whereupon deponent asks that a warrant may issue for the arrest of each of the persons named above, and for such other persons as may make affidavits in the premises.

F. C. TAPLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of July, 1868, R. E. STILWELL, United States Commissioner.

Southern District of New-York, ss.: FREDERICK C. TAPLEY, being duly sworn, says: That he is informed and believes that H. SHAW, *alias* John Lamartine, has this day made an affidavit before JOHN A. OSBORN, United States Commissioner, of the tenor set forth in the foregoing affidavit, and that said affidavit is, in certain proceedings, instituted before said JOHN A. OSBORN.

(Signed) F. C. TAPLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of July, 1868.

(Signed) R. S. STILWELL,
United States Commissioner.

SHAW and ROWE, who swore against Collector BAILEY under the names of Lamartin and Calverly, were on Saturday taken before Commissioner STILLWELL, and were fully identified under their real and assumed names and committed for perjury. BLAISDELL, POWELSON, JENNESS and NOYES will have examinations in the course of the week on the charge of subornation of perjury. They were all arrested and lodged in jail during Wednesday and Thursday of last week. It is not likely that the matter will end with them.

RELIGIOUS.

Consecration of Bishop McQuaid.

The ceremony of consecrating as a Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church Rev. Dr. MCQUAID, late President of Seaton Hall College, Orange, N. J., took place yesterday morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Prince-street. The new prelate will now be Bishop of the Diocese of Rochester, in this State. The proceedings were long, continuing without intermission from 10:30 to 1:30 o'clock. The altar was beautifully decorated with white flowers and lit with numerous tapers. Archbishop MCCLOSKEY acted as consecrator. The assistant consecrators were Bishops BAYLEY and LAUGHLIN. Rev. Dr. STARRS, Vicar-General, was the celebrant of mass, and Rev. THOS. PRESTON, of St. Ann's, preached the sermon. Bishops WILLIAMS, of Boston; MCFARLAND, of Hartford, and BACON, of Portland, occupied seats in the chancel. Among the clergy present were Rev. P. MCCARTHY, Church of the Holy Cross; Rev. THOS. FARRELL, of St. Joseph's; Rev. THOS. MILLER, of St. John's, Newark; and Rev. JOSEPH P. WOODS, of St. Augustine, Morrisania. The rich robes and mitres worn by the assembled bishops, with the red and white costumes of the acolytes, rendered the scene quite imposing. The music was very fine. There were four lady and four male singers. The leading soprano was Mme. CROME. The chief tenor was Mr. SCHMIDT. Several pews were occupied by Sisters of Charity, and a long double row of priests sat upon each side of the chancel platform, outside of the railing.

According to the rites, both the consecrator and the consecrated fasted the day before. On one side of the chancel, in a so-called chapel, inclosed by a railing, there were pontifical vestments for the elect, with a cope, ewers and water, comb and cloths for cleansing him from the anointing oil, with wine and bread for the offering. On the other side of the chancel was a similar "chapel" used by the consecrator, in which were all things needed by him during the ceremony. As the procession entered the chancel, the consecrator vested in full canonicals, sat at the altar, and the elect was led to him by the assistant consecrators. After salutations, all three sat for a few moments, and then rose, upon which the senior assistant, addressing the consecrator, stated that the Church required him to raise the present priest to the burdensome office of a bishop. A series of questions were then put, asking whether the elect would teach from the Scriptures those things which he understood, would keep the traditions of the orthodox fathers, and the decretal constitutions of the Holy See, would exhibit obedience to the Pope as Vicar of St. Peter, would temper his manners from all vice, and cultivate chastity and sobriety, be always occupied with divine affairs and estranged from earthly business, and both teach and practice humility, patience and mercy. On replying severally to these queries in the affirmative, he was asked if he believed in the Holy Trinity as one Almighty God, and in each person of it as one God, true, full, and perfect; also in the Son of God, born of the Holy Ghost, of the Virgin Mary, &c., and in the Holy Ghost as proceeding from both Father and Son. The elect replied affirmatively, and answered also, that he believed the Catholic Church to be the one true Church, in which is given one true baptism, and true remission of all sins, also in the true resurrection of the same flesh which he then bore, in the life eternal, in God as the author of the New and Old Testament, of the law, the prophets and the apostles. Other ceremonies and prayers then took place, during which the consecrator and assistant bishops laid their hands on the head of the elect, saying: "Receive thou the Holy Ghost." After more prayers the consecrator dipped his thumb in oil, made a sign of the cross upon the crown of the elect, subsequently anointing his head entirely. The elect afterward received a ring as a token of fidelity, and a kiss of peace from the consecrator. There was very much ceremonial, much sprinkling with holy water, taking off and putting on gloves, caps and mitres, kneeling, rising, sitting, blessing, &c. At one time the elect laid upon his face near the consecrator. Toward the close the elect walked round the church with the assistant bishops and blessed the congregation, who knelt as he passed. The ceremony finished by his receiving another kiss of peace from the consecrator and assistants and retiring to his chapel. After this the assembled clergy retired from the chancel to the sound of magnificent music.

TYPE SETTING BY MACHINERY.

Revolution in the Art of Printing—Recent Improvements in Type-Setting Machines.

When, some eleven years ago, Mr. TIMOTHY ALDEN, of this City, exhibited his type-setting machine, the public was ready to believe that a revolution in the art of printing had been inaugurated by his invention, and only waited to see the machine in general use among publishers of all printed matter. But unforeseen difficulties were in the way, and those of such a nature as to be overcome only by the nicest mechanism, and that the result of much thought and the patient labor of years. The patents issued prior to Mr. ALDEN'S invention will afford some idea of the interest felt by inventors in a discovery so important in character. There had previously been no less than fifty-seven patented inventions of the kind, dating from that of WILLIAM CHURCH in England, March 21, 1822. CHURCH'S invention merely set type. Following this, there have been of English patents those of James Hadden Young and Adrien Delcambre, March 13, 1840; John Clay and Fred. Rosenberg, Nov. 27, 1840; John Clay and Fred. Rosenberg, March 21, 1842; Duncan F. Mackenzie, 1846; W. Martin, 1849; John Henry Johnson, 1852; Wm. Hoskell Ware, 1853; Jean Francois Boule and Francis Caillard, 1853; Moses Poole, 1853; Adrien Delcambre, 1853; Alphonse Cajetan de Limencourt, 1854; Martin Wiberg, 1854; Louis Pierre Coulon, 1856; William Edward Newton, 1856; Isidore Delcambre, 1856; Timothy Alden, Dec. 29, 1856; Robert Haitersley, 1856; James Hadden Young, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1860; Alfred Vincent Newton, 1859; Charles Wilson Pell, 1860; John Cumming, 1861; William Young, 1864; William Edward Newton, 1864; Mackey, H. Garside, and J. Salmon, 1865; W. Clark, 1865; A. V. W. Young, 1865; A. Mackey, J. P. Jones, 1865; and also a machine by a Mr. Sozeneau, exhibited in 1852 at the London World's Fair.

The patents taken out for type-setting machines in the United States have been as follows:

Frederic Rosenberg, Nov. 27, 1840. Sept. 9, 1843; Young and Delcambre, June 22, 1841; O. T. Eddy, 1850; William Hostell Mitchell, Aug. 30, 1853, May 16, 1854, March 3, 1857, Sept. 22, 1857; Victor Beaumont, March 21, 1854; W. S. Loughborough, Oct. 23, 1855; J. J. Koenig, July 15, 1856; Wm. H. Houston, March 31, 1857; Timothy Alden, Sept. 15, 1857; J. B. Gilmer, 1859; H. Harger, 1860; C. W. Felt, 1860: D. B. Ray, 1862; O. L. Brown, 1862; C. W. Felt, 1863; C. Baer, 1866; Alden & Mackey, 1866; John Paulding, 1866; John Jones, 1866; M. Nelson, 1866; Mr. Thorne, 1867; J. T. Slingerland, 1867; J. T. Slingerland, 1868, besides several other improved machines by a portion of the above-mentioned parties. It will be observed that several of the above names are repeated as patentees. The patents are generally for improvements upon their first inventions, and not upon entirely new machines. The two last patents, those of Mr. J. T. SLINGERLAND, are improvements upon the Alden machine, and owned by the Alden Type-setting and Distributing Machine Company of this City.

It would appear from the working of this machine, now on exhibition here, that all obstacles, certainly all of a serious character, to its successful working have been removed, and that we are at last upon the threshold of this revolution. The machine now perfected by the patents of SLINGERLAND, obviates the classification of type in use on the original Alden machine. The new distributor connected with it is constructed on a very novel and scientific principle. Previous to this it was necessary that type should be cast expressly for the purpose. A font of type was condensed into thirteen exact thicknesses or classes, and, consequently, the characters were made of various thicknesses. This arrangement was complicated and impracticable. It was impossible to obtain type sufficiently accurate to be worked continuously, without great trouble, and the constant watchfulness of the operator. The new distributor sets aside this great drawback of classification. It takes type from any foundry and distributes it accurately and continuously without requiring any attention and without stoppage. It is purely automatic. The simple principle upon which it is made permits the various parts of which it consists to be much stronger in proportion to its size than the parts of a steam engine. The new distributor is probably the greatest step in rendering the machine a practical success. The distributing galley, which plays an important part in the working of the machine, is indebted to Mr. SLINGERLAND for fifty-five original improvements, and works admirably. It is without an imperfection apparently, either in its action or construction. The key-board, or, more properly, the key-cylinder, has been completely changed. It was formerly flat, and perforated for keys or buttons, and, in operating, the fingers struck the keys in a perpendicular and unnatural position, which, after a few hours, would become painful to the operator. This objection has been overcome. The keys are now on a cylinder, and are worked upon the lever principle, similar to those of a piano, and act directly upon the registering rods. The key cylinder saves in its construction, over the former key board, twelve hundred and fifty pieces.

The "cases" show no less improvement. On the former machine they consisted of channels, operated by cords or metallic bands and ratched pulleys. These required constant care, in order to be kept tight, and were not reliable. They frequently caused the omission of letters in the matter set. Moreover there were 160 different cords or bands to be kept in order, which was a detriment to the practical use of the machine. The new cases of Mr. SLINGERLAND have no bands or cords. They are inclosed, and in no instance, so far, have they required the least attention. They do their work perfectly and silently.

The registering apparatus has, in common with the entire machine, been so completely reconstructed, remodeled, and improved, that it scarcely bears a resemblance to the one exhibited at the *Tribune* office in 1866. The capacity of that